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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Katherine M. Clark

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying:

An Act providing protection from subsequent violations of restraining orders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Katherine M. Clark	*Fifth Middlesex*
Jennifer L. Flanagan	*Worcester and Middlesex*
Thomas M. Stanley	*9th Middlesex*
Denise Andrews	*2nd Franklin*
Middlesex District Attorney Gerry Leone	*15 Commonwealth Avenue* *Woburn, MA 01801*

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By Ms. Clark, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 649) of Katherine M. Clark, Jennifer L. Flanagan, Thomas M. Stanley, Denise Andrews and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to providing protection from subsequent violations of restraining orders. The Judiciary.

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An Act providing protection from subsequent violations of restraining orders.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 7 of chapter 209A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at line 45, after the first sentence in the fifth paragraph, the following:-

Whoever violates such order or a protection order issued by another jurisdiction after having previously been convicted of violating an order issued pursuant to chapter 209A or a protection order issued by another jurisdiction, or after having previously been convicted pursuant to section 13A(b)(iii) or section 43(b) of chapter 265, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than five years or imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than two and one-half years.