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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Willie Mae Allen**

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*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 bill:

An Act Establishing a Youth Awareness Week.

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PETITION OF:

Section 1. Section 15 of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

ZZZZ. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the third week in April as Youth Awareness Week to inform and educate youths on the benefit and operation of government, public service institutions and the electoral process.  Appropriate state agencies and cities and towns shall establish programs designed to educate and promote these objectives.

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