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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**James Cantwell**

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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 relative to raffles and bazaars.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| James Cantwell | 4th Plymouth |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 250 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to raffles and bazaars.

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

The 8th paragraph of section 7A of chapter 271 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-

Any non-profit charitable organization whose officers and directors are volunteers, and whose sole mission is to support community residents, when conducting a raffle or bazaar for charitable purpose, shall be exempt from filing a return with the lottery commission and further exempt from the five per cent tax on the gross proceeds derived from such raffle or bazaar.