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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Paul K. Frost**

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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 providing for the viability of fire hydrants in winter.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act providing for the viability of fire hydrants in winter.

*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. Chapter 148 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by inserting after section 27B the following section:—  
Section 27C. All fire hydrants or other similar device used for fire protection which is located in any public or private way shall be equipped with a marker of not less than 4 feet in height during the period from November first to May first.

SECTION 2. The division of fire prevention shall establish a program to provide grants for cities and towns to assist in their compliance with section 27C of chapter 148 of the General Laws.