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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Eugene L. O'Flaherty**

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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 the cost of living adjustments for retired judges.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to the cost of living adjustments for retired judges.

*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 32 of the Massachusetts General Law is hereby amended by adding the following new Section:*

*65L: All Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, Appeals Court and the several Departments of the Trial Court, who have reached the mandatory retirement age of 70 prior to January 1, 2009, and after said date, under the Massachusetts Constitution, Part II, c.3, article 1, as amended by the Article 98 of the Amendments, shall be entitled to an adjustment to their annual pension; and said pension shall be in increased at the same rate of increase, if any, as the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Workers for the Northeast Region commencing the first day in July of the year Two Thousand and Ten, and every year thereafter.*