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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 liability of certain non profit corporations.

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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 liability of certain non profit corporations.

 *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 85K of Chapter 231 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following paragraph:-

                Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, if the tort was committed in the course of any activity carried on to accomplish directly the charitable purpose of a corporation, trust or association which is a hospital or clinic required to keep records under section seventy of chapter one hundred and eleven, liability in any such cause of action shall not exceed the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, exclusive of interest and costs.