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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**McGee, Thomas (SEN)**

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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 certain benefits for surviving spouses while a surviving child serves in the armed forces.

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PETITION OF:

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to certain benefits for surviving spouses while a surviving child serves in the armed forces.

*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. Paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of section 9 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 56 by inserting after the word “and” the words, “on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or ”.

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of section 9 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 62 by inserting after the word “and”, the words “on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or ”.

Section 3. Paragraph (d) of subdivision (2) of section 9 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 82 by inserting after the word “and” the words “on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or ”.

Section 4. Paragraph (d) of subdivision (2) of section 9 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 88 by inserting after the word “remains” the words “on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or ”.

Section 5. Clause (iii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision (2) of Section 7 of Chapter 32 of the General laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official edition, is hereby amended in line 89 by inserting after the word “is” the following words “ on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or”.

Section 6. Clause (iii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision (2) of Section 7 of Chapter 32 of the General laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official edition, is hereby amended in line 98 by inserting after the word “is” the words “or on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or ”.

Section 7. Section 12B of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 15 by inserting after the word “if” the following words “on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or”.

Section 8. . Section 12B of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 36 by inserting after the word “if” the following words “on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or”.

Section 9. The provisions of this act shall take effect as of September 11, 2001.