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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Thomas P. Kennedy**

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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 signing of death certificates.

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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 signing of death certificates.

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

Section 9 of chapter 46 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1996 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “administrator”, in line 5, the following:— or, if the death occurred in a nursing home as defined in section 108 of chapter 112, the medical director of the nursing home.