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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Brian A. Joyce**

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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 requiring police notification to certain neighbors of level 2 sex offenders.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act requiring police notification to certain neighbors of level 2 sex offenders.

 *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 178K of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “Investigation.”, in line 124, the following 2 sentences:- The police department in the municipality where a level 2 offender’s primary residence, and secondary residence if any, is located shall provide notice to all immediate abutters of the following information: the name of the offender, his home address, work address, the offense(s) and date(s) for which the offender was convicted or adjudicated, the offender’s age, sex, race, height, weight, eye and hair color and a photograph of the offender, if available. Such notice shall include a warning regarding the criminal penalties for use of sex offender registry information to commit a crime or to engage in illegal discrimination or harassment of an offender and the punishment for threatening to commit a crime under section 4 of chapter 275.