HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Demetrius J. Atsalis

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 compensation of victims of violent crimes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Demetrius J. Atsalis

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Barnstable

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1303 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE COMPENSATION OF VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIMES.

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

Subsection (a) of section 3 of chapter 258A of the General Laws, as

appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second

sentence and inserting in place thereof the following:- In the case of rape victims, such

services shall include emergency funds for housing.