

**SENATE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Mr. Hedlund**

*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 affordable housing built in historic districts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Mr. Hedlund

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Plymouth and Norfolk

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine  
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## AN ACT RELATIVE TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING BUILT IN HISTORIC DISTRICTS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1: Section 21 of chapter 40B of the Massachusetts General laws is hereby amended
- 2 by adding the following paragraph:-
- 3 Applications to build low or moderate income housing in an historic district as defined in MGL
- 4 Chapter 40C must obtain a certificate of appropriateness as outlined in Section 6 of Chapter 40C.
- 5 The local historic commission shall hold its hearing concurrently with the local zoning board and
- 6 have its conditions included in the permit. None of the conditions may be appealed to the
- 7 housing appeals committee as an uneconomic condition. An application may not be denied based
- 8 upon its location within an historic district.