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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.

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 adoption of the accompanying resolution:

Resolutions Referendum on a budget for all.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	*34th Middlesex*
Ruth B. Balser	*12th Middlesex*
Thomas P. Conroy	*13th Middlesex*
Josh S. Cutler	*6th Plymouth*
Marjorie C. Decker	*25th Middlesex*
Linda Dorcena Forry	*12th Suffolk*
Gloria L. Fox	*7th Suffolk*
Sean Garballey	*23rd Middlesex*
Jonathan Hecht	*29th Middlesex*
Jay R. Kaufman	*15th Middlesex*
Kay Khan	*11th Middlesex*
Peter V. Kocot	*1st Hampshire*
Jason M. Lewis	*Fifth Middlesex*
David Paul Linsky	*5th Middlesex*
Paul W. Mark	*2nd Berkshire*
Denise Provost	*27th Middlesex*
Byron Rushing	*9th Suffolk*

Tom Sannicandro	*7th Middlesex*
Frank I. Smizik	*15th Norfolk*
Ellen Story	*3rd Hampshire*
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	*26th Middlesex*
Aaron Vega	*5th Hampden*

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By Mr. Sciortino of Medford, a petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 3211) of Carl M. Sciortino, Jr. and others for the adoption of resolutions memorializing the Congress of the United States to take certain actions concerning national budgetary matters. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

Resolutions Referendum on a budget for all.

Whereas Federal Budget decisions will affect the public good for years to come; and

Whereas budget decisions made in Washington have a profound effect on the people of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas on November 6, 2012 voters in 91 cities and towns across Massachusetts have by large margins expressed their support for a "Budget for All" non-binding public policy question with the below provisions, and have urged their elected state officials to address Congress and the President on their behalf;

Therefore be it resolved that the Massachusetts General Court hereby calls upon Congress and the President to:

1. Prevent cuts to Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and Veterans benefits, or to housing, food and unemployment assistance;

2. Create and protect jobs by investing in manufacturing, schools, housing, renewable energy, transportation and other public services;

3. Provide new revenues for these purposes and to reduce the long-term federal deficit by closing corporate tax loopholes, ending offshore tax havens, and raising taxes on incomes over $250,000; and

4. Redirect military spending to these domestic needs by reducing the military budget, ending the war in Afghanistan and bringing U.S. troops home safely now.