

SENATE No. 1727

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James B. Eldridge

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 calling on Congress to convene a Constitutional Convention.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

James B. Eldridge

Middlesex and Worcester

Jason M. Lewis

Fifth Middlesex

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By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by resolution, Senate, No. 1727) of James B. Eldridge and Jason M. Lewis for the adoption of resolutions calling on Congress to convene a Constitutional Convention. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

Resolutions calling on Congress to convene a Constitutional Convention.

1 Whereas the Commonwealth of Massachusetts believes that a convention called pursuant
2 to Article V of the United States Constitution should be convened to consider amendments to
3 that Constitution to limit the influence of money in our political system, among other reasonable
4 proposals; and

5 Whereas, the Congress of the United States has failed to propose, pursuant to Article V of
6 the Constitution, amendments that would adequately address the concerns of Massachusetts;

7 Therefore, be it resolved, that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, speaking through its
8 legislature, and pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, hereby petitions the
9 United States Congress to call a Convention for the purpose of proposing Amendments to the
10 Constitution of the United States of America;

11 Be it further resolved that, and not intending to condition this petition, Massachusetts
12 requests that its specific concerns notwithstanding, Congress limit the agenda of the convention
13 to those matters enumerated by at least ten of the states calling for the convention;

14 Be it finally resolved that, Massachusetts requests that Congress exclude from eligibility
15 as delegates to the convention any Member of Congress, or current candidate for Congress.