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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Nicholas A. Boldyga***

*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 bill:

An Act relative to flag desecration.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>	<i>1/16/2015</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>2/2/2015</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2015</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>2/2/2015</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>9/12/2019</i>

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By Mr. Boldyga of Southwick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1176) of Nicholas A. Boldyga and others relative to flag desecration. The Judiciary.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act relative to flag desecration.

*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 5 of Chapter 264 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2   striking out the words “shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars or by  
3   imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.” And inserting “shall be punished by a fine of  
4   not less than one thousand dollars or by imprisonment in a house of correction for not more than  
5   two and one half years, or both.”