HOUSE No. 3808

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tram T. Nguyen

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 protecting federal employees in the commonwealth during a federal government shutdown.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| Tram T. Nguyen | 18th Essex | 1/17/2019 |
| Natalie M. Blais | 1st Franklin | 2/1/2019 |
| Mindy Domb | 3rd Hampshire | 2/1/2019 |
| Nika C. Elugardo | 15th Suffolk | 1/30/2019 |
| Stephan Hay | 3rd Worcester | 5/10/2019 |
| David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf | 17th Worcester | 1/23/2019 |
| James K. Hawkins | 2nd Bristol | 5/12/2019 |
| Joanne M. Comerford | Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester | 5/14/2019 |

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By Ms. Nguyen of Andover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3808) of Tram T. Nguyen and others relative to nonpayment of rent or foreclosure by federal employees during a federal government shutdown. The Judiciary.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act protecting federal employees in the commonwealth during a federal government shutdown.

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

- Notwithstanding chapter 186 or 239 of the General Laws or any other general or special
- 2 law to the contrary, an employee of the United States Government furloughed as a result of a
- 3 lapse in federal appropriations shall be exempt from summary process due to nonpayment of rent
- 4 or judgment for possession following a foreclosure, during a government shutdown; provided
- 5 further, that no such summary process action may be brought less than 6 months after such
- 6 shutdown ends.