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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia Stone Creem

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 to amend the definition of hate crime.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Cynthia Stone Creem	*Norfolk and Middlesex*	
Marian T. Ryan, Middlesex District Attorney		
Michael J. Barrett	*Third Middlesex*	*2/3/2023*
Rebecca L. Rausch	*Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex*	*12/7/2023*

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 924) of Cynthia Stone Creem, Marian T. Ryan, Middlesex District Attorney and Michael J. Barrett for legislation to amend the definition of hate crime. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *959* OF 2021-2022.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)

An Act to amend the definition of hate crime.

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

Paragraph (a) of Section 39 of Chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by replacing the words “of a person” in Line 2 with the words “of another” and replacing the words “such person” in Line 3 with the words “a person.”

Paragraph (a) of said Section 39 of Chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph: “If restitution is ordered under the provisions of this section for purposes of repairing the damage done to the real or personal property with intent to intimidate a person because of such person’s race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability, such restitution shall be used to repair the damage done to the property.”