HOUSE No. 1530

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carlos González

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 nonprofit receivership authorization.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Carlos González	10th Hampden	1/18/2023
Bud L. Williams	11th Hampden	1/20/2023
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	1/26/2023
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	1/26/2023
Joanne M. Comerford	Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester	2/9/2023
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	2/10/2023
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	2/19/2023
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester	2/28/2023
Michael D. Brady	Second Plymouth and Norfolk	3/9/2023

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By Representative González of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1530) of Carlos González and others relative to nonprofit receivership of vacant residential property. The Judiciary.

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

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

Section 127I of chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

Following appointment of a receiver for a vacant residential property, the court, upon motion by the receiver with notice to the owner, mortgagee, and all interested parties, may allow for the sale of the property to a nonprofit entity for fair market value in its then current condition. Any such sale shall be conditioned upon the court finding that the nonprofit will correct all outstanding state sanitary code violations and rehabilitate the property for affordable sale to a first-time homebuyer from a household whose income is not more than 120 per cent of median income as determined by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, and further that the nonprofit has the expertise and resources necessary to do so. Any such motion

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filed by the receiver under this section shall not be heard by the court for at least thirty days

following the filing date, during which period the owner, mortgagee, and any other interest

- parties may join a motion for leave to correct all state sanitary code violations at the property.
- 14 Upon finding that the owner, mortgagee, or other interested party has the intention and ability to
- 15 correct the code violations, the court shall stay hearing on the receiver's motion for a reasonable
- period of time to allow the owner, mortgagee, or other interested party to do so.