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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ellen Story, Stanley C. Rosenberg

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to voting rights in the Town of Amherst.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire
Stanley C. Rosenberg	Hampshire and Franklin

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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An Act relative to voting rights in the Town of Amherst.

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. Notwithstanding the provision of section one of chapter fifty-one of the General Laws, or any
- 2 other general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, resident aliens eighteen years of age or
- 3 older who reside in Amherst may, upon application, have their names entered on a list of voters
- 4 established by the town clerk for the town of Amherst and may thereafter vote in any election for local
- 5 offices and local ballot questions.
- 6 Section 2. The Select Board of Amherst is authorized to formulate regulations and guidelines to
- 7 implement the purpose of this act.
- 8 Section 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed to confer upon permanent resident aliens the right to vote
- 9 for any state or federal office or any state or federal ballot question.