



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## AN INITIATIVE PETITION FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Under Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth

### SUMMARY

This proposed constitutional amendment would require the state and local and county governments to license and recognize only those marriages that are between a man and a woman. It would

prohibit future same-sex marriages, but would allow continued recognition of those entered into before the adoption of the proposed amendment.

**FILING DEADLINES.** Initiative petitions must be submitted to local election officials for certification of signatures no later than **5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23, 2005**. Local election officials must complete their certification no later than December 5, 2005. Thereafter, initiative petitions containing certified signatures must be retrieved by petitioners from the local election officials and then filed with the Elections Division, Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, One Ashburton Place, Room 1705, Boston, MA, no later than **5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 7, 2005**.

FIRST TEN SIGNERS	<b>Raymond L. Flynn, Sr.</b> <b>1 Flint Place</b> <b>Boston</b> <b>Joseph R. Nolan</b> <b>242 Common Street</b> <b>Belmont</b> <b>Philip Travis</b> <b>28 County Street</b> <b>Rehoboth</b> <b>Philip D. Moran</b> <b>415 Lafayette Street</b> <b>Salem</b> <b>Richard F. Guerriero</b> <b>8 Kipling Road</b> <b>Weymouth</b> <b>Jossie E. Owens</b> <b>145 Winter Street</b> <b>Mansfield</b> <b>Roberto Miranda</b> <b>143 Albion Street</b> <b>Somerville</b> <b>Richard W. Richardson</b> <b>77 Eighth Street</b> <b>Tewksbury</b> <b>Bronwyn E. Loring</b> <b>567 Hale Street</b> <b>Beverly</b> <b>C. Joseph Doyle</b> <b>175 School Street</b> <b>Boston</b>	CIRCULATOR INFORMATION	<b>REGISTRAR USE ONLY:</b>
	<p>These names have been certified as names of registered voters in their places of residence. Original petition was filed on September 9, 2005.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>William Francis Galvin</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS</b></p>		<p><b>ONLY REGISTRAR MAY WRITE IN THIS AREA</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>SPONSORS OF THIS PETITION MAY BE CONTACTED AT:</b></p> <p>Petition K  381 Elliot Street, Suite 185L  Newton Upper Falls, MA 02464  (617) 795-2667</p>

CIRCULATOR AND SIGNER INFORMATION	<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO CIRCULATORS AND SIGNERS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>DO NOT ALTER THIS INITIATIVE PETITION IN ANY WAY. ADDITIONAL MARKINGS ON THIS PETITION WILL DISQUALIFY ANY SIGNATURES ON THIS PETITION SHEET.</b></li> <li>For your signature to be valid, you must be a registered voter in the city or town named below and your signature should be written substantially as registered. DO NOT sign the same petition more than once.</li> <li>If you are prevented by physical disability from writing, you may authorize some person to write your name and residence in your presence.</li> </ul>
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REGISTRAR USE ONLY	I. SIGNATURE to be made in person with name substantially as registered (except in case of physical disability as stated above)	II. NOW REGISTERED AT (street, number and apartment number, if any) (city or town will be the same as stated below)	WARD	PREC.
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City or Town

**ONLY REGISTERED VOTERS OF**  **MAY SIGN THIS SHEET.** Circulator petition sheet number  **K**

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