

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1469**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Kenneth J. Donnelly***

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*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 flying flags at half-staff upon the death of a police officer or firefighter.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kenneth J. Donnelly</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>James E. Timilty</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Donnelly, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1469) of Kenneth J. Donnelly, Kay Khan, James E. Timilty, Sonia Chang-Diaz and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to flying flags at half-staff upon the death of a police officer or firefighter. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ □ SENATE  
□ , NO. 1573 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to flying flags at half-staff upon the death of a police officer or firefighter.

*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. Subsection (f) of section 6A of chapter 2 of the General Laws, as appearing  
2 in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 35, the words "; and", and  
3 inserting in place thereof the following:- "."

4 SECTION 2. Section 6A of chapter 2, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting  
5 after subsection (f) the following subsection:- (f1/2) In the event of the death of a police officer  
6 or firefighter killed in the line of duty, as the result of a direct adversarial force or at or by the  
7 hand of an adversary, from the day of death until sunset of the day of interment in accordance  
8 with such orders or instructions as may be issued by or at the direction of the governor; and