

By Mr. Thomas F. Donovan of Boston, petition of Charles H. Morrill that Congress be memorialized in favor of the direct nomination and election of the President of the United States and the abolition of the electoral college. Constitutional Law. Jan. 15.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Five.

Resolutions requesting Congress to provide for the Direct Nomination and Election of the President of the United States.

1 *Whereas*, The electoral college has on several oc-
2 casions failed to elect as president of the United
3 States the candidate who had been endorsed by the
4 largest number of citizens who cast their ballots,
5 and is generally considered as an obsolete and
6 harmful contrivance, therefore be it

7 *Resolved*, That the congress of the United States
8 is urged by the general court of Massachusetts to
9 take such action as may be deemed necessary to
10 provide for the direct nomination and election of
11 the president of the United States, and for the
12 abolition of the electoral college.

13 *Resolved*, That the senators and representatives
14 from Massachusetts in the congress of the United
15 States are hereby earnestly requested to use every
16 endeavor to secure the speedy passage of such leg-
17 islation, and that copies of these resolutions be
18 sent by the secretary of the commonwealth to them
19 and also to the clerk of each branch of congress.

