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December 8, 2004.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 8, Paragraph 1, Clause (2) of the Amendments to the Constitution, as amended by Article LXXXIX, I am filing for your consideration the attached legislation entitled "An Act Exempting a Certain Project in the Town of Needham from Chapter 193 of the Acts of 2004."

The Town of Needham asserts that the High School project should not be subject to the provisions of the law requiring pre-qualification of general bidders and filed sub-bidders because the project was both approved and started prior to the effective date of Chapter 193 of the Acts of 2004. The Town is seeking confirmation of this position in order to ensure that reimbursement under the School Building Assistance program is not jeopardized.

The legislation has the support of the Board of Selectmen as well as the State Senator and State Representative from Needham.

I appreciate your consideration of this legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mitt Romney".

Mitt Romney,  
Governor.

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In the Year Two Thousand and Four.

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AN ACT EXEMPTING A CERTAIN PROJECT IN THE TOWN OF NEEDHAM  
FROM THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 193 OF THE ACTS OF 2004.

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

1 The project for renovations and construction of additions to  
2 Needham High School, as authorized by the town of Needham  
3 under article 31 of its 2003 annual town meeting, shall be exempt  
4 from the provisions of Chapter 193 of the acts of 2004 through  
5 December 31, 2004. Up to December 31, 2004, said project shall  
6 comply with all applicable sections of Chapter 149 of the General  
7 Laws that were in effect prior to July 19, 2004.