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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

We are filing for your consideration the attached legislative proposal entitled, "An Act Extending the Voluntary AIDS Tax Check-off Program Established by Chapter 121 of the Acts of 1990."

The Massachusetts AIDS Fund and the voluntary tax check-off which supports the fund are scheduled to expire on July 1, 1995. This legislation will repeal the "sunset" clause included in the enabling legislation approved by the Legislature in 1990.

The check-off program permits taxpayers to contribute any amount of money on the state income tax form for research, treatment, and education related to AIDS and has proven to be successful. Since its inception in Fiscal Year 1991, Massachusetts taxpayers have voluntarily contributed over one million dollars to the fund.

We are proud of the generous response of Massachusetts citizens to this opportunity to join in the battle against AIDS. The fund supports many valuable research and AIDS prevention programs, and this legislation will permit the continuation and expansion of these efforts.

We urge your favorable consideration of this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

William F. Weld

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four.

AN ACT EXTENDING THE VOLUNTARY AIDS TAX CHECK-OFF PROGRAM
ESTABLISHED BY CHAPTER 121 OF THE ACTS OF 1990.

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

- 1 Chapter 121 of the Acts of 1990 is hereby amended by
- 2 striking Section 108 and inserting in place thereof the following
- 3 section: —
- 4 Section 108. Sections two and seventy-two shall take effect on
- 5 January first, nineteen hundred and ninety-one.