

## Petition to MA Governor Deval Patrick to Declare and Economic State of Emergency\*

In light of over 125,000 utility shutoff notices in Massachusetts in May, skyrocketing food and fuel prices, record foreclosures and layoffs, we the undersigned demand that Governor Deval Patrick use his executive powers under the Massachusetts Constitution to declare an **ECONOMIC STATE OF EMERGENCY** in Massachusetts, and that he implement an **EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER** to:

- **Stop Utility Shutoffs / Restore Services Immediately**
- **Roll Back Food and Fuel Prices**
- **Declare a Moratorium on Foreclosures and Evictions**

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\*The Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is authorized under state law (Chapter 639) to declare a Gubernatorial State of Emergency upon the occurrence of a natural or man-made disaster. The law, along with the state constitution, gives the Governor broad authorities to implement emergency measures to ensure the safety and health of the residents of the Commonwealth, take appropriate steps to mobilize state assets, and conduct other emergency business for the protection of the Commonwealth. A Gubernatorial State of Emergency (SOE) is initiated when it becomes necessary for the Governor to assume command (direction and control) for the efficient utilization of the total resources of the Commonwealth, in order to mitigate the effects on people and property of a large-scale threat, emergency or disaster. **Please return petition to Women's Fightback Network, 284 Amory St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130, 617-522-6626/www.iacboston.org/wfn** Sponsors: WFN, International Action Center, FIST Fight Imperialism-Stand Together