

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 492**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Patricia A. Haddad***

*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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act requiring instruction in CPR and the use of defibrillators for high school graduation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>	<i>1/17/2023</i>
<i>Gerard J. Cassidy</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/30/2023</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>2/1/2023</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/2/2023</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/5/2023</i>
<i>Jon Santiago</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
<i>Margaret R. Scarsdale</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/8/2023</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/13/2023</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/16/2023</i>
<i>Adam Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>6/5/2023</i>
<i>Adrienne Pusateri Ramos</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>	<i>6/7/2023</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>6/8/2023</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>6/22/2023</i>
<i>Kristin E. Kassner</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>6/15/2023</i>

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By Representative Haddad of Somerset, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 492) of Patricia A. Haddad and others relative to requiring instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of defibrillators for high school graduation. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 610 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act requiring instruction in CPR and the use of defibrillators for high school graduation.

*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 second paragraph of section 1L of chapter 69 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2           the 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding, in line 30, after the word  
3           “resuscitation” the following—

4           and the use of automatic external defibrillators. Instruction in cardiopulmonary  
5           resuscitation and the use of automatic external defibrillators must be the most current national  
6           evidence-based Emergency Cardiovascular Care guidelines and incorporate psychomotor skills  
7           development into the instruction. “Psychomotor skills” is defined as the use of hands-on  
8           practicing and skills testing to support cognitive learning. A licensed teacher shall not be  
9           required to be a certified trainer of cardiopulmonary resuscitation, to facilitate, provide or

- 10 oversee such instruction for non-certification. Courses which result in a certification being
- 11 earned are required to be taught by an authorized CPR/AED instructor.