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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act relative to the expansion of the valedictorian tuition waiver program in the public system of higher education.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	*20th Middlesex*
George N. Peterson, Jr.	*9th Worcester*
Bradford Hill	*4th Essex*
Elizabeth A. Poirier	*14th Bristol*
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	*1st Plymouth*
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	*4th Hampden*
Sheila C. Harrington	*1st Middlesex*
Paul K. Frost	*7th Worcester*
Nicholas A. Boldyga	*3rd Hampden*
Kimberly N. Ferguson	*1st Worcester*
Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*
Kevin J. Kuros	*8th Worcester*
Daniel B. Winslow	*9th Norfolk*
Ryan C. Fattman	*18th Worcester*

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1070) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to the expansion of the valedictorian tuition waiver program in the public system of higher education. Higher Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

An Act relative to the expansion of the valedictorian tuition waiver program in the public system of higher education.

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

SECTION 1. Section 19 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after the seventh paragraph, the following new paragraph:-

The program shall provide tuition and mandatory fee waivers to any resident of the commonwealth who has been designated as a valedictorian by a public or private high school within the commonwealth. The tuition and mandatory fee waivers shall be provided to a student for not more than four years following enrollment as a student at a public institution of higher education within the commonwealth. If the student designated as a valedictorian does not utilize the valedictorian tuition and fee waiver, the tuition and fee waiver shall not then be offered to the salutatorian. The commonwealth, not the institutions of public higher education, shall bear the cost of such tuition and fee waivers for Massachusetts valedictorians.

SECTION 2. The tuition and fee waivers of this act shall take effect and be provided to Massachusetts valedictorians who graduate from a Massachusetts public or private high school beginning in or after 2014.