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HOUSE . . . . . No. 2369

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kay Khan

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 enhancing the practice of nurse midwives.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Kay Khan	*11th Middlesex*
William N. Brownsberger	☐ *[District]* ☐
Jennifer E. Benson	*37th Middlesex*
Cory Atkins	*14th Middlesex*
Christine E. Canavan	*10th Plymouth*
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	*1st Plymouth*
James B. Eldridge	☐ *[District]* ☐
Gloria L. Fox	*7th Suffolk*
Sean Garballey	*23rd Middlesex*
Anne M. Gobi	*5th Worcester*
Kate Hogan	*3rd Middlesex*
Kevin G. Honan	*17th Suffolk*
Patricia D. Jehlen	☐ *[District]*

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Stephen Kulik	*1st Franklin*
David Paul Linsky	*5th Middlesex*
Mark C. Montigny	□ *[District]* □
Richard T. Moore	□ *[District]* □
James M. Murphy	*4th Norfolk*
Sarah K. Peake	*4th Barnstable*
Denise Provost	*27th Middlesex*
Richard J. Ross	*Norfolk, Bristol, and Middlesex*
Jeffrey Sánchez	*15th Suffolk*
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	*34th Middlesex*
David M. Torrisi	*14th Essex*
Martha M. Walz	*8th Suffolk*
Alice K. Wolf	*25th Middlesex*

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By Ms. Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2369) of Kay Khan and others relative to certified professional midwives and enhancing the practice of nurse-midwives. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

An act relative to enhancing the practice of nurse midwives.

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: Subsection (g) of said section 7 of chapter 94C 8 of the general laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

The commissioner shall promulgate regulations which provide for the registration of certified nurse-midwives,as provided in section 80G of chapter 112, to issue written prescriptions in accordance with regulations as provided for in section 80B of chapter 112. Prior to promulgating such regulations, the commissioner shall consult with the board of registration in nursing and the board of registration in medicine with regard to those schedules of controlled substances for which certified nurse-midwives may be registered.

SECTION 2. Section 80C of chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Said chapter 112, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition is hereby amended by striking out section 80G and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 80G. A nurse authorized to practice as a certified nurse-midwife

may order and interpret tests, therapeutics and prescribe medications in accordance with regulations promulgated by the board and subject to the provisions of subsection (g) of section 7 of chapter 94C.”