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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John Hart, 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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to establish a military service scholarship program..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John Hart, Jr.	
John H. Rogers	*12th Norfolk*
Michael O. Moore	

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By Mr. Hart, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1821) of John Hart, Jr., John H. Rogers and Michael O. Moore for legislation to establish a military service scholarship program. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *1997* OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to establish a military service scholarship program..

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 16 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the ninth paragraph the following paragraph:

There shall be a Military Service Scholarship Program pursuant to section 16 of chapter 15A of the General Laws to provide full scholarships to the children, siblings or widowed spouses of Massachusetts servicemen and servicewomen, who are killed or die or are severely disabled from injuries received while in the performance of duties including authorized training duty; to children, siblings or widowed spouses of prisoners of war or military or service persons missing in action in any foreign land, including but not limited to, Iraq and Afghanistan, whose wartime service is credited to the commonwealth and whose service was Between September eleven two thousand one, and the termination of both the Iraq and Afghanistan campaign; to the

11 children, siblings and widowed spouses of veterans whose service was credited to the
12 commonwealth and who were killed in action or otherwise died as a result of such service. Such
13 scholarships shall be awarded by the council pursuant to its guidelines established to govern this
14 program and shall go to those persons referenced above who are admitted to an institution of
15 higher education in the commonwealth to pursue undergraduate studies. The guidelines shall
16 include, but not be limited to, a waiver of mandatory fees, tuition, books, room and board, or
17 other school mandated related expenses.