HOUSE No. 1072

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marc T. Lombardo

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 relative to tuition for U.S. veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:Marc T. Lombardo22nd Middlesex

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By Mr. Lombardo of Billerica, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1072) of Marc T. Lombardo relative to the residency requirements of veterans of the United States armed services for public higher education tuition benefits. Higher Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2106 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

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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 9 of Chapter 15A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "tuition;" in line 128, the following words:-

"provided, however, that any veteran of the United States armed services shall be considered Massachusetts residents for the purpose of admission and tuition expenses for any

6 Massachusetts state college, community college, or state university under the following

7 conditions: the veteran was honorably discharged from the U.S. armed services after at least one

year of active service, excluding time spent at a military service academy; the veteran designates

9 Massachusetts as his/her intended domicile, moves to Massachusetts for the purpose of

10 establishing residency, and successfully establishes residency in Massachusetts within one year

of matriculation in a Massachusetts public institution of higher learning;"