

SENATE No. 1963

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard T. Moore

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 designating June 14 as the birthday of the United States Army and June 9 as General Sylvanus Thayer Day.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Richard T. Moore</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>
<i>Brian A. Joyce</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Robert L. Hedlund</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>John V. Fernandes</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Gale D. Candaras</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>

<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Shaunna O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephen M. Brewer</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>

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By Mr. Richard T. Moore, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Richard T. Moore, Michael O. Moore, John F. Keenan, Brian A. Joyce and other members of the General Court for legislation to designate June fourteenth as the birthday of the United States Army and June ninth as General Sylvanus Thayer Day. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act designating June 14 as the birthday of the United States Army and June 9 as General Sylvanus Thayer Day.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 6, of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after Section 15RRRRR, the following new section,

3 Section 15SSSSS. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart June 14
4 as United States Army Birthday Day in recognition of the designation by the Second Continental
5 Congress in Philadelphia to “adopt” the New England Militias around Boston on June 14, 1775
6 and the Congress further resolved to form a committee “to bring in a draft of rules and
7 regulations for the government of the Army; and in honor of those who have served, or currently
8 serve in the United States Army, Army Reserve, and Massachusetts Army National Guard, and
9 recommending that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.

10 SECTION 2. Said Chapter 6 is hereby further amended by inserting after Section
11 15SSSSS, a new section:

12 Section 15TTTTT. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart June 9
13 as General Sylvanus Thayer Day in recognition of the birth in Braintree, Massachusetts on June
14 9, 1785 Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General Sylvanus Thayer also known as "the Father of
15 West Point" and who was an early superintendent of the United States Military Academy at West
16 Point and was also an early advocate of engineering education in the United States, and
17 recommending that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.