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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:
Marc T. Lombardo	*22nd Middlesex*
Kevin J. Kuros	*8th Worcester*
Shaunna L. O'Connell	*3rd Bristol*
James J. Lyons, Jr.	*18th Essex*
Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.	*5th Worcester*
Stephen L. DiNatale	*3rd Worcester*
James R. Miceli	*19th Middlesex*

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By Mr. Lombardo of Billerica, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1052) of Marc T. Lombardo and others that veterans of the armed services be considered residents for the purpose of admission and tuition expenses for state colleges, community colleges or universities. Higher Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act relative to tuition for U.S. Veterans.

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 Massachusetts state college, community college, or state university under the following 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 Massachusetts as his/her intended domicile, moves to Massachusetts for the purpose of establishing residency, and successfully establishes residency in Massachusetts within one year of matriculation in a Massachusetts public institution of higher learning; failure to successfully meet any of the conditions will result in the Massachusetts state college, community college, or

13 state university revoking discounted tuition rate and invoice the individual the full cost of tuition

14 for any previous enrolled and/or future semesters.