

HOUSE No. 4726

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, November 7, 2016.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Bill relative to the annual observance of Massachusetts Women's Defense Corps Remembrance Day (House, No. 4074), reports recommending that the same be amended by substitution of the accompanying bill (House, No. 4726), and that when so amended the same will be correctly drawn.

For the committee,

THEODORE C. SPELIOTIS.

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

An Act relative to the annual observance of Massachusetts Women’s Defense Corps Remembrance 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 Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 15BBBBBB, as
2 inserted by chapter 274 of the acts of 2016, and inserting in place thereof the following 2
3 sections:-

4 Section 15CCCCCC. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart
5 September 21 as Peace Day, to recognize and further the goals of Peace Day in the United States,
6 the International Day of Peace and in memory of those lost to acts of violence, and
7 recommending that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.

8 Section 15DDDDDD. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart
9 April 2 as the Massachusetts Women’s Defense Corps Remembrance Day, in recognition of the
10 generous contributions of the approximately 18,000 women who volunteered to train as air raid
11 wardens, drivers, communications personnel, canteen workers, medics, chemical detections
12 personnel and emergency fire fighters, and recommending that the day be observed in an
13 appropriate manner by the people.