SENATE No. 757

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joan B. Lovely

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 establishing a community college campus hunger pilot program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Joan B. Lovely	Second Essex	
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	1/29/2019
Patrick M. O'Connor	Plymouth and Norfolk	1/29/2019
Brendan P. Crighton	Third Essex	1/31/2019
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex	1/31/2019
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	2/1/2019
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk	2/4/2019
Julian Cyr	Cape and Islands	2/4/2019
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	2/7/2019
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	6/18/2019
Anne M. Gobi	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex	6/20/2019

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By Ms. Lovely, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 757) of Joan B. Lovely, Kay Khan, Patrick M. O'Connor, Brendan P. Crighton and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a community college campus hunger pilot program. Higher Education.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act establishing a community college campus hunger pilot 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. Chapter 15A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 44 the following section:-
- 3 Section 45. Community College Campus Hunger Program
- There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth a fund to
- 5 address food insecurity on community college campuses that shall be known as the
- 6 Massachusetts Community College Campus Hunger Program. The fund shall be credited with:
- 7 (i) revenue from appropriations or other monies authorized by the general court and specifically
- 8 designated to the fund; (ii) interest earned on such revenues; and (iii) funds from public and
- 9 private sources including, but not limited to, gifts, grants and donations to further the program.
- The department of higher education shall distribute resources from the fund by issuing a
- request for proposal through which community colleges may apply. The department shall grant
- 12 funds based on the demonstrated need and implementation plan of each applicant. Funds

- received by college campuses shall be used to address food insecurity among students via means
- including, but not limited to, meal cards, meal plans, meal vouchers, and other campus-designed
- projects to address community college student food insecurity.