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:


PETITION OF:

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<td>Vanna Howard</td>
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By Ms. Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3940) of Vanna Howard (with the approval of the city council) that the city of Lowell be authorized to fill vacancies in certain elective bodies in said city. Election Laws. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)


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. Following the last sentence of Chapter 230 of the Acts of 1954, that the following sentence be added: "In the event that no such candidate exists, the vacancy shall be filled by a joint session of the city council and the school committee through a public application process."

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.