

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2574**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Anne M. Gobi*

*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 creating a Parks and Recreation Commission in the town of Templeton.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>
<i>Jonathan D. Zlotnik</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>

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By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2574) of Anne M. Gobi, Susannah M. Whipps, Joanne M. Comerford and Jonathan D. Zlotnik (by vote of the town) for legislation to create a Parks and Recreation Commission in the town of Templeton. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local approval received]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act creating a Parks and Recreation Commission in the town of Templeton.

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

1           Notwithstanding the provisions of section two of chapter forty-five of the General Laws,  
2 there is hereby established in said town a Parks and Recreation Commission which shall consist  
3 of seven members, each of whom shall be appointed by the Select Board for a term of one year.  
4 The initial members of said Commission shall be members of the Recreation Commission in  
5 existence immediately prior to the effective date of this act and they shall continue to serve for  
6 the remaining portion of their term. Said Commission shall be a policy-making board responsible  
7 for overseeing the management and maintenance of Town owned parks, fields and related  
8 facilities, and for providing year-round high quality indoor and outdoor recreation activities for  
9 children and adults with varying interests and physical abilities. It shall deliver diverse culturally,  
10 socially, mentally, and physically based programs. It shall establish suitable policies and  
11 guidelines relating to the programs it shall offer, and the use, maintenance, and improvement of  
12 the facilities under its oversight. The Commission shall have all the powers and duties granted by

- 13 the various provisions of the General Laws relative to park commissions and recreation
- 14 commissions, except insofar as the same may be consistent with the provisions of this Act.