

HOUSE No. 5071

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Susan Williams Gifford

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 retirement benefits for Thomas Brian Donnelly.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>7/13/2023</i>

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By Representative Gifford of Wareham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Susan Williams Gifford that the Teachers’ Retirement Board be directed to grant Thomas Brian Donnelly one year of creditable service and recalculate his superannuation retirement allowance. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to retirement benefits for Thomas Brian Donnelly.

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

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the
2 contrary, the teachers’ retirement board shall grant Thomas Brian Donnelly 1 year of creditable
3 service in the teachers’ retirement system upon payment into the annuity savings fund of the
4 system of an amount equal to 11 per cent of his projected annual rate of salary as if he had retired
5 in 2017 from the New Bedford High School as a Masters +30 credit employee.

6 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the
7 contrary, upon the grant of 1 year of creditable service pursuant to section 1, Thomas Brian
8 Donnelly shall be considered eligible for the alternative superannuation retirement benefit
9 provided pursuant to subdivision (4) of section 5 of chapter 32 of the General Laws. The board
10 shall then recalculate Thomas Brian Donnelly’s superannuation retirement allowance using the
11 formula for the alternative superannuation retirement benefit pursuant to said subdivision (4) of

- 12 said Section 5 of said chapter 32, and Thomas Brian Donnelly shall be entitled to the alternative
- 13 superannuation retirement benefit as of the effective date of this act.