HOUSE No. 529

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jack Patrick Lewis

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 celebrating and teaching Native American culture and history.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex	1/18/2023
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester	1/20/2023
Rebecca L. Rausch	Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex	1/22/2023
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	1/26/2023
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	1/28/2023
Joanne M. Comerford	Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester	1/30/2023
Steven Owens	29th Middlesex	1/31/2023
Vanna Howard	17th Middlesex	1/31/2023
Christopher M. Markey	9th Bristol	1/31/2023
Manny Cruz	7th Essex	2/1/2023
Patricia A. Duffy	5th Hampden	2/2/2023
Erika Uyterhoeven	27th Middlesex	2/3/2023
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex	2/3/2023
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex	2/3/2023
Adrian C. Madaro	1st Suffolk	2/6/2023
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester	2/6/2023
Jon Santiago	9th Suffolk	2/6/2023
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol	2/7/2023

Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	2/10/2023
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	2/12/2023
Jennifer Balinsky Armini	8th Essex	2/12/2023
Samantha Montaño	15th Suffolk	2/13/2023
William C. Galvin	6th Norfolk	2/13/2023
James C. Arena-DeRosa	8th Middlesex	2/17/2023
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex	3/2/2023
Michael P. Kushmerek	3rd Worcester	3/7/2023
Natalie M. Blais	1st Franklin	3/28/2023
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	3/29/2023
Kenneth I. Gordon	21st Middlesex	4/4/2023
Patrick M. O'Connor	First Plymouth and Norfolk	4/4/2023
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex	5/10/2023
Edward R. Philips	8th Norfolk	6/16/2023
Carol A. Doherty	3rd Bristol	6/28/2023
Denise C. Garlick	13th Norfolk	7/21/2023
Michelle L. Ciccolo	15th Middlesex	7/21/2023
Danillo A. Sena	37th Middlesex	8/31/2023
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	10/16/2023

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By Representative Lewis of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 529) of Jack Patrick Lewis and others relative to the teaching of Native American culture and history. Education.

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

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

An Act relative to celebrating and teaching Native American culture and history.

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

1 The third paragraph of section 1D of chapter 69 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second sentence the following 3 sentence:- The standards shall provide for instruction in: (i) tribal history and current issues of 4 the Aquinnah Wampanoag, Mashpee Wampanoag and other Wampanoag tribes, the 5 Massachuset, the Nipmuc and other Native American tribes that exist within Massachusetts; (ii) 6 information about tribes and confederacies that have historic ties to Massachusetts, such as the 7 Wabanaki Confederacy; (iii) tribal history of Native Americans throughout the United States; 8 (iv) tribal sovereignty and governance, treaty rights, genocide, Native American cultures, 9 languages and socioeconomic experiences; and (v) ongoing issues common to contemporary 10 Native Americans throughout Massachusetts; provided, that to develop these standards the board 11 shall consult consistently with the special relationship between the Commonwealth and Native 12 Americans as molded by Treaty and Agreement, Legislative Act and Executive Order.