

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2332**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Jason M. Lewis, (BY REQUEST)***

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*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 resolution:

Resolutions memorializing the Massachusetts Delegation, and the United States Congress, on the need for official, and general support of a Federal ERA, suitably amending The Constitution of The United States, and encouraging public education regarding this subject matter.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Vincent Lawrence Dixon*

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By Mr. Lewis (by request), a petition (accompanied by resolutions, Senate, No. 2332) of Vincent Lawrence Dixon for the adoption of resolutions to memorialize the Massachusetts Delegation, and the United States Congress, on the need for official, and general support of a Federal ERA, suitably amending The Constitution of The United States, and encouraging public education regarding this subject matter. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2415 OF 2021-2022.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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1           the Great and General Court of Massachusetts, hereby Resolves that we officially  
2 support, and generally support, the adoption of a Federal Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) to  
3 The United States Constitution.

4           Since the formal adoption of the Equal Rights Amendment to the Massachusetts  
5 Constitution, in 1976, general public opinion, and legal circumstance(s), have generally found  
6 that this was a good expansion of full rights, to an expanded portion of the population, of our  
7 Commonwealth.

8           It is in the interests of respecting a widened sweep of rights for our population, and  
9 particularly across the states of The United States, keeping peaceful, social, and legal freedoms,

10 and expanding those freedoms, and their appropriate legal evolution, that The United States  
11 Constitution should include such rights, in specific language. Massachusetts wishes to go on  
12 record, as supporting such efforts.

13           Massachusetts as a leader, in The United States; and The United States as a leader in the  
14 World, would benefit, by both strong support, and significant public education, on the values,  
15 and benefits of this Federal Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

16           This legislation authorizes, significant, and sufficient notification of Congressional, and  
17 other Federal authorities, and others; and such appropriate public education, and publicity, as is  
18 appropriate; such needed authority, residing in the Office of the Secretary of State, of The  
19 Commonwealth.