

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kip A. Diggs

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 directing the superintendent of state office buildings to install a permanent memorial in the Massachusetts State House in honor of Mercy Otis Warren.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kip A. Diggs</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>	<i>1/2/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3013 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act directing the superintendent of state office buildings to install a permanent memorial in the Massachusetts State House in honor of Mercy Otis Warren.

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 superintendent of state office buildings shall, subject to the approval of the State
2 House Art Commission as to size and content, install and maintain in a conspicuous place of the
3 Art Commission’s choosing in the State House, a memorial honoring Mercy Otis Warren, of
4 Barnstable, Massachusetts, a leading author, playwright, satirist, and patriot in colonial
5 Massachusetts, whose essays contributed to the creation of the Constitution’s Bill of Rights, and
6 whose book, History of the Rise, Progress, and Termination of the American Revolution became
7 this country's first published history of the American Revolution. Said memorial shall be the gift
8 of Cape Cod artist David Lewis who will bear all costs associated with the creation,
9 transportation, and installation of the artwork.