

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tom Sannicandro and Michael O. Moore

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 making community colleges in Massachusetts free for residents of the state.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester
Paul W. Mark	2nd Berkshire
Gailanne M. Cariddi	1st Berkshire
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex
Evandro C. Carvalho	5th Suffolk
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex
Daniel M. Donahue	16th Worcester
Tricia Farley-Bouvier	3rd Berkshire
Mary S. Keefe	15th Worcester
Peter V. Kocot	1st Hampshire
Jay D. Livingstone	8th Suffolk
Frank A. Moran	17th Essex
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Paul A. Schmid, III	8th Bristol
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden

Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex
Carlos Gonzalez	10th Hampden
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk

By Representative Sannicandro of Ashland and Senator Moore, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1070) of Tom Sannicandro and others for legislation to exempt residents of the Commonwealth from payment of tuition or mandatory curriculum fees at community colleges. Higher Education.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act making community colleges in Massachusetts free for residents of the state.

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. Chapter 15A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official

2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 5A the following section:

3 Section 5B. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the

4 contrary, no tuition or mandatory curriculum fees shall be charged to any resident of the state at

5 any community college listed in section 5. The commonwealth, not the community colleges,

6 shall bear the cost of providing free community colleges for residents of the state.