

HOUSE No. 3879

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David F. DeCoste

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 expanding the definition of affordable housing to include manufactured homes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>

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By Mr. DeCoste of Norwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3879) of David F. DeCoste and others relative to expanding the definition of affordable housing to include manufactured homes. Housing.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act expanding the definition of affordable housing to include manufactured homes.

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 20 of chapter 40B of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the
2 definition “Low or moderate income housing” and inserting in place thereof the following
3 definition:-

4 “Low or moderate income housing”, any housing subsidized by the federal or state
5 government under any program to assist the construction of low or moderate income housing as
6 defined in the applicable federal or state statute, whether built or operated by any public agency
7 or any nonprofit or limited dividend organization. The term low or moderate-income housing
8 shall include 50 per cent of the homes in a manufactured housing community, as defined by
9 section 32Q of chapter 140, which shall be included toward the city or town’s affordable housing
10 threshold as documented on the subsidized housing inventory maintained by the department of
11 housing and community development.