

HOUSE No. 2168

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard M. Haggerty

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 to amend the charter of the city of Woburn to change the name of the members of the city council from "alderman" to "city councilor".

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Richard M. Haggerty</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2021</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2021</i>
<i>Cindy F. Friedman</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Mr. Haggerty of Woburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2168) of Richard M. Haggerty, Michelle L. Ciccolo and Cindy F. Friedman (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to amend the charter of the city of Woburn to change the name of the members of the city council from "alderman" to "city councilor". Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Woburn to change the name of the members of the city council from "alderman" to "city councilor".

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. The first sentence of section 2 of chapter 172 of the acts of 1897, is hereby
2 amended by striking out the word "aldermen", and inserting in place thereof the following word:
3 - councilor.

4 SECTION 2. The first sentence of section 5 of chapter 172 of the acts of 1897, as most
5 recently amended by chapter 194 of the acts of 1928, is hereby further amended by striking out
6 the word "aldermen", and inserting in place thereof the following word: - councilor.

7 SECTION 3. Section 9 of chapter 172 of the acts of 1897, as most recently amended by
8 chapter 229 of the acts of 1946, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "aldermen",
9 each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word: -
10 councilor.

11 SECTION 4. The title and the first sentence of section 10 of chapter 172 of the acts of
12 1897, as most recently amended by chapter 21 of the special acts of 1918, is hereby further
13 amended by striking out the words “aldermen”, and inserting in place thereof, the following
14 words: - councilor.

15 SECTION 5. The first sentence of section 11 of chapter 172 of the acts of 1897, as most
16 recently amended by chapter 18 of the special acts of 1917, is hereby further amended by
17 striking out the word “aldermen”, and inserting in place thereof, the following word: - councilor.

18 SECTION 6. Section 12 of chapter 172 of the acts of 1897, is hereby amended by
19 striking out the word “alderman”, and inserting in place thereof, the following word: - councilor.

20 SECTION 7. The last sentence of section 13 of chapter 172 of the acts of 1897, is hereby
21 amended by striking out the words “boards of aldermen and”.

22 SECTION 8. The last sentence of section 1 of chapter 139 of the acts of 1946, as most
23 recently amended by chapter 53 of the special acts of 2007, is hereby further amended is hereby
24 amended by striking out the words “board of aldermen”, and inserting in place thereof, the
25 following words: - city council.

26 SECTION 9. Section 3 of chapter 139 of the acts of 1946, is hereby amended by striking
27 out the words “alderman-at-large”, and inserting in place thereof, the following words: -
28 councilor-at-large.

29 SECTION 10. The first sentence of section 1 of chapter 103 of the acts of 2005, is
30 hereby amended by striking out the word “aldermen”, and inserting in place thereof, the
31 following word: - councilors.

32 SECTION 11. The last sentence of section 3 of chapter 103 of the acts of 2005, is hereby
33 amended by striking out the word “aldermen”, and inserting in place thereof, the following word:
34 - councilors.

35 SECTION 12. The first sentence of section 1 of chapter 103 of the acts of 2005, is
36 hereby amended by striking out the word “aldermen”, and inserting in place thereof, the
37 following word: - councilors.

38 SECTION 13. This act shall take effect upon its passage.