

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Samantha Montaño

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 relative to LGBTQ+ Veterans Day.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	1/9/2025
Samantha Montaño	15th Suffolk	1/9/2025

HOUSE DOCKET, NO. 438 FILED ON: 1/9/2025

By Representatives Sabadosa of Northampton and Montaño of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3412) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Samantha Montaño for the issuance of an annual proclamation by the Governor to designate September 20th as LGBTQ+ veterans day. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act relative to LGBTQ+ Veterans Day.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section

2 15CCCCCC the following section:-

3 Section 15DDDDDDD. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart

4 September 20th as LGBTQ+ Veterans Day, to celebrate lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and

5 queer (LGBTQ+) veterans who have honorably served in the U.S. Armed Forces throughout the

6 nation's history and recommending that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by the

7 people.