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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kate Donaghue

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 councils on aging.

#### PETITION OF:

| NAME:                        | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:           | DATE ADDED: |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Kate Donaghue                | 19th Worcester              | 1/20/2023   |
| James C. Arena-DeRosa        | 8th Middlesex               | 2/6/2023    |
| Gerard J. Cassidy            | 9th Plymouth                | 2/6/2023    |
| Michael D. Brady             | Second Plymouth and Norfolk | 2/6/2023    |
| David F. DeCoste             | 5th Plymouth                | 2/6/2023    |
| Susan Williams Gifford       | 2nd Plymouth                | 2/6/2023    |
| Nicholas A. Boldyga          | 3rd Hampden                 | 2/6/2023    |
| Kathleen R. LaNatra          | 12th Plymouth               | 2/6/2023    |
| Patrick M. O'Connor          | First Plymouth and Norfolk  | 2/6/2023    |
| Josh S. Cutler               | 6th Plymouth                | 2/6/2023    |
| Michael J. Soter             | 8th Worcester               | 2/6/2023    |
| Mathew J. Muratore           | 1st Plymouth                | 2/14/2023   |
| Joseph D. McKenna            | 18th Worcester              | 2/14/2023   |
| Paul J. Donato               | 35th Middlesex              | 2/14/2023   |
| Paul McMurtry                | 11th Norfolk                | 2/15/2023   |
| Ruth B. Balser               | 12th Middlesex              | 2/22/2023   |
| James B. Eldridge            | Middlesex and Worcester     | 2/22/2023   |
| Christopher Richard Flanagan | 1st Barnstable              | 2/24/2023   |

| Natalie M. Higgins  | 4th Worcester  | 3/3/2023 |
|---------------------|----------------|----------|
| Steven Owens        | 29th Middlesex | 3/3/2023 |
| Steven Ultrino      | 33rd Middlesex | 3/3/2023 |
| Jonathan D. Zlotnik | 2nd Worcester  | 3/3/2023 |
| Brian W. Murray     | 10th Worcester | 3/9/2023 |

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By Representative Donaghue of Westborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 624) of Kate Donaghue and others relative to councils on aging. Elder Affairs.

### The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act relative to councils on aging.

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: Section 8B of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in lines 2 and 3, after the words "carrying out
- 3 programs" the following words:- and delivering services.
- 4 SECTION 2: Said section 8B of chapter 40, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
- 5 by striking out, in line 3, the words "problems of the aging" and inserting in place thereof the
- 6 following words:- needs of older adults.
- 7 SECTION 3: Said section 8B of chapter 40, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
- 8 by striking out, in line 9, the words "such clerks" and inserting in place thereof the following
- 9 word:- staff.
- SECTION 4: Said section 8B of chapter 40, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
- by inserting, in lines 9 and 10, after the words "as it may require" the following words:-;

- provided, that if the council is an advisory council, the director may appoint staff and other
- employees as it may require consistent with municipal needs.