

HOUSE No. 79

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mindy Domb

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 proposal for constitutional amendment:

Proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to use of gender in the Massachusetts Constitution.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>2/8/2021</i>
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Adam J. Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Ms. Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by proposal for constitutional amendment, House, No. 79) of Mindy Domb and others for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to use of gender in the Constitution of the Commonwealth. The Judiciary.

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

Proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to use of gender in the Massachusetts Constitution.

A majority of all the members elected to the Senate and House of Representatives, in joint session, hereby declares it to be expedient to alter the Constitution by the adoption of the following Article of Amendment, to the end that it may become a part of the Constitution [if similarly agreed to in a joint session of the next General Court and approved by the people at the state election next following]:

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

1 Article of Amendment

2 WHEREAS, the Commonwealth recognizes and honors that the Massachusetts
3 Constitution refers to all residents without regard to gender,

4 Now, THEREFORE, the Proposal for a legislative amendment to the Massachusetts
5 Constitution of 1780, is hereby amended as follows:

6 1. by striking the word "he" in every instance and replacing it with "the person"