

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 00979**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

*Colleen M. Garry*

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*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 passage of the accompanying Resolve:

Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to adolescents at risk.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Colleen M. Garry*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*36th Middlesex*

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By Ms. Colleen M. Garry of Dracut, petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 00979) of Colleen M. Garry for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to adolescents at risk.. Joint Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

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### **RESOLVE Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to adolescents at risk**

Resolved,

1 Resolved, That a special commission, to consist of three members of the senate, five members of  
2 the house of representatives, the commissioner of youth services or his designee, the  
3 commissioner of social services or his designee and three persons to be appointed by the  
4 governor is hereby established for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative to  
5 adolescents at risk, including, but not limited to, youths involved with the departments of youth  
6 services and social services, teen pregnancy and school dropouts and other issues related to  
7 adolescence.

8 Said commission shall report to the house of representative the results of its investigation and  
9 study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry its  
10 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the house of representatives on  
11 or before December first, 2009.