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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Morrissey, Michael (SEN)**

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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 bill:

An Act allowing a city or town to grant retirement credit to veterans.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Morrissey, Michael (SEN) | Norfolk and Plymouth |

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SEE SENATE, NO. S01608 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act allowing a city or town to grant retirement credit to veterans.

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

SECTION 1.  Notwithstanding any general law or special law to the contrary, any city or town by a vote of its governing body may accept the provisions of this act. A city or town may by local acceptance of this act, may grant retirement credit pursuant to chapter 71 of the acts of 1996, as amended most recently, to any individual who has served at least 180 days of service in the armed forces of the United States, for active duty training in the army national guard or air national guard or active duty training as a result of being in the armed forces of the United States.

SECTION 2. This act will take effect upon its passage.