HOUSE . . . . . No. 5422

By Mr. Businger of Brookline, petition of John A. Businger, other members of the General Court and another for adoption of resolutions by the General Court ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States prohibiting discrimination on account of sex. Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Four.

Petition signed by:

John A. Businger
Marie E. Howe
Doris Bunte
Paul Kollios
David B. Cohen
Barbara E. Gray
Mary Jane Gibson
Ellen M. Canavan
William D. Benson
Joan M. Menard
James G. Collins
Lucile P. Hicks
Iris K. Holland
Saundra Graham
Thomas M. Gallagher
Susan D. Schur
Michael J. Barrett
Lawrence R. Alexander
Elizabeth N. Metayer
Stephen J. Karol
Vincent J. Piro
Carol C. Amick
John E. Murphy, Jr.
Jack H. Backman
Nicholas J. Buglione
George Keverian
Patricia McGovern
George Bachrach
Nicholas J. Costello
Edward L. Burke
Alfred E. Saggese, Jr.
Chester G. Atkins
John W. Olver
Anna P. Buckley
Michael LoPresti, Jr.
Paul D. Harold
Allan R. McKinnon
Gerard D'Amico
Eleanor Myerson
Robert F. Jakubowicz
Charles F. Flaherty
Christopher J. Hodgkins
Paul E. Caron
Frances F. Alexander
Peter A. Vellucci
Byron Rushing
Richard J. Rouse
Barbara Hildt
Frank M. Hynes
Susan C. Tucker
John H. Flood
Chester A. Suhoski
Sherwood W. Guernsey
Frank N. Costa
Susan F. Rourke
Marilyn L. Travinski
Philip Travis
Mary Jane McKenna
Robert Emmet Hayes
Lois G. Pines

By Mr. Businger of Brookline, petition of John A. Businger, other members of the General Court and another for adoption of resolutions by the General Court ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States prohibiting discrimination on account of sex. Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Four.

RESOLUTIONS RATIFYING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION ON ACCOUNT OF SEX.

Whereas, The Ninety-seventh Congress by both Houses passed the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

"*Resolved,* By the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

"ARTICLE —

"SECTION 1. The equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

"SECTION 2. The Congress shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this Article.

"SECTION 3. This amendment shall take effect two years after the date of ratification,"; therefore be it

Resolved, That the said proposed amendment is hereby ratified by

the legislature of the commonwealth of Massachusetts; and be it further

Resolved, That a certified copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution be forwarded by the governor to the Administrator of General Services of the United States in accordance with Title 1, United States Code, section 106b.