

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 5592

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 16, 1973.

The committee on Rules, to whom were referred the Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Brownell of Quincy, Marshall of Quincy, Brett of Quincy, Delahunt of Quincy, Doyle of Boston and Frazier of Braintree) memorializing Congress and the President of the United States concerning the decline of shipbuilding in Massachusetts (House, No. 5592), report that the same ought to be adopted.

For the committee .,

THOMAS W. McGEE.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Three.

### RESOLUTIONS MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES CONCERNING THE DECLINE OF SHIPBUILDING IN MASSACHUSETTS.

1 *Whereas*, The shipbuilding industry is a major element of the  
2 Massachusetts economy; and

3 *Whereas*, There are thousands of our citizens now employed in  
4 this shipbuilding industry in Massachusetts; and

5 *Whereas*, The plight and economic well-being of thousands of  
6 employees, their families and related industries depends on the  
7 continued prosperity of the shipbuilding industry in Massachu-  
8 setts; and

9 *Whereas*, The shipbuilding industry, located in the cities of  
10 Quincy and Boston, is currently experiencing difficult times, loss  
11 of jobs and a decline in governmental contracts; and

12 *Whereas*, Hundreds of employees in the shipbuilding industry  
13 have had and will have their jobs abruptly terminated; and

14 *Whereas*, A decline in the shipbuilding industry in Massachu-  
15 setts will adversely affect the entire economy of the Northeast  
16 section of the United States and the lives of thousands of men,  
17 women and their families; and

18 *Whereas*, The Quincy shipyard is about to have its present  
19 work force reduced from 5000 to 2000 shipbuilding employees;  
20 and

21 *Whereas*, Interim work is now desperately needed to help the  
22 shipbuilding industry remain viable in Massachusetts; now,  
23 therefore be it

24 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives implore the  
25 Congress and the President of the United States to take due  
26 notice of these undesirable conditions now threatening our  
27 citizens; and be it further

28 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives implore the  
29 Congress and the President of the United States to take all  
30 possible steps necessary and proper to curb the decline in  
31 shipbuilding in Massachusetts and especially to assist the Quincy  
32 Yard in obtaining submarine tender contracts and interim  
33 reconstruction and repair work on existing vessels; and be it  
34 further

35 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives implore the  
36 Congress and the President of the United States to take  
37 appropriate action to stabilize, promote and insure the continued  
38 existence and prosperity of the shipbuilding in Massachusetts  
39 which is vital to both our economy and national defense; and be  
40 it further

41 *Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted by  
42 the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the  
43 United States, to the presiding Officer of each Branch of the  
44 Congress, and to the members thereof from this Commonwealth.

House of Representatives, January 18, 1973.

Adopted.

WALLACE C. MILLS,  
*Clerk.*

