HOUSE No. 2045

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John H. Rogers and Michael F. Rush

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 bill:

An Act granting equal access to original birth certificates to all persons born in Massachusetts.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| John H. Rogers | 12th Norfolk | 1/15/2015 |
| Michael F. Rush | Norfolk and Suffolk | 1/16/2015 |
| Kate Hogan | 3rd Middlesex | 10/11/2019 |
| Sean Garballey | 23rd Middlesex | 1/25/2015 |
| Louis L. Kafka | 8th Norfolk | 10/11/2019 |
| Kenneth I. Gordon | 21st Middlesex | 10/11/2019 |
| John J. Lawn, Jr. | 10th Middlesex | 10/11/2019 |
| Thomas M. Stanley | 9th Middlesex | 10/11/2019 |
| Kay Khan | 11th Middlesex | 10/11/2019 |
| Denise Provost | 27th Middlesex | 10/11/2019 |
| Daniel J. Hunt | 13th Suffolk | 10/11/2019 |
| Ruth B. Balser | 12th Middlesex | 10/11/2019 |
| Byron Rushing | 9th Suffolk | 10/11/2019 |
| Shaunna L. O'Connell | 3rd Bristol | 10/11/2019 |
| Jennifer E. Benson | 37th Middlesex | 2/4/2015 |
| Michelle M. DuBois | 10th Plymouth | 2/3/2015 |
| Denise C. Garlick | 13th Norfolk | 2/3/2015 |
| Susan Williams Gifford | 2nd Plymouth | 2/3/2015 |

| Danielle W. Gregoire | 4th Middlesex | 2/3/2015 |
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| Bradley H. Jones, Jr. | 20th Middlesex | 2/2/2015 |
| Benjamin Swan | 11th Hampden | 2/4/2015 |
| Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. | 26th Middlesex | 2/2/2015 |

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By Representative Rogers of Norwood and Senator Rush, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2045) of John H. Rogers, Michael F. Rush and others relative to granting equal access to original birth certificates. Public Health.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act granting equal access to original birth certificates to all persons born in Massachusetts.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 2B of chapter 46 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking, in line 3, the words "on or before July 17, 1974
- 3 or after January 1, 2008" and by striking in lines 4 and 5, the words "on or after January 1,
- 4 2008."