

HOUSE No. 2824

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John W. Scibak

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 designating shaken baby syndrome awareness week.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>	<i>1/13/2015</i>

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By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2824) of John W. Scibak for the annual issuance of a proclamation by the Governor setting apart the third full week in April as shaken baby syndrome awareness week. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act designating shaken baby syndrome awareness week.

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. Chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by inserting after section 15TTTTT, the following section: -

3 SECTION 15UUUUU. The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart
4 the third full week in April as “Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week” in recognition of the
5 number of children and families in the Commonwealth affected by Shaken Baby Syndrome and
6 the need for increased public awareness, research and support for victims and their families, and
7 recommending that the week be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.