

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2926**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Keiko M. Orrall***

*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 to Enhance Tourism at the State House.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Bradford R. Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Robert L. Hedlund</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Madden</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>

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By Mrs. Orrall of Lakeville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2926) of Keiko M. Orrall and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to enhancing tourism at the State House. Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

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

An Act to Enhance Tourism at the State House.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there is hereby  
2 established a commission to research and assess opportunities to enhance tourism at the State  
3 House. The commission shall examine and determine if there are ways to increase retail sales  
4 through the State House bookstore and other gift kiosks. The commission shall consist of: the  
5 secretary of the commonwealth or a designee, who shall serve as chair; the commissioner of  
6 conservation and recreation or a designee; the secretary of housing and economic development  
7 or a designee; 2 members of the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the  
8 minority leader; 2 members of the senate, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader;  
9 the superintendent of state buildings or a designee, and 3 persons to be appointed by the  
10 governor. The commission shall commence within 2 weeks of the effective date of this act and  
11 shall meet at least four times. Within 12 months of passage of this bill, the Commission shall  
12 present a report on its findings and recommendations.