HOUSE No. 4159

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Benjamin Swan

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 authorizing the change in use of certain park land in the city of Springfield.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden	3/22/2016
Mayor Domenic J. Sarno	City of Springfield 36 Court Street,	3/22/2016
	Room 210 Springfield, MA 01103	

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By Mr. Swan of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4159) of Benjamin Swan and Mayor Domenic J. Sarno (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Springfield be authorized to convert certain lands to construct a senior center and a replacement park. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

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

An Act authorizing the change in use of certain park land in the city of Springfield.

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

SECTION 1. The city of Springfield, acting by through its city council, with the approval of its mayor, may convert a small portion (approximately 4.9 acres) of Blunt Park land, as shown

on the plan attached as Exhibit 1A, entitled "Detail of Proposed Conversion Area" by GZA

GeoEnvironmental, Inc.," from park use, for the construction of a new Senior Center, under the

5 control of the Springfield Park Commission.

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6 SECTION 2. In consideration for the conversion of 4.9 acres of Blunt Park Land for the

building of a Senior Center, the city of Springfield will dedicate, and the Springfield Park

Commission agrees to accept, replacement park land consisting of approximately 6.5 acres

including Acquisition Area A and Acquisition Area B as shown on the plan attached Exhibit

#1B, entitled "Proposed Acquisition Plan", which land is located approximately 0.1 miles

southwest of Blunt Park at the intersection of Alton Street and Roosevelt Avenue, which will

result in a net gain of approximately 1.6 acres of park land.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.