

HOUSE No. 1459

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas P. Walsh and Bruce E. Tarr

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 providing the next of kin of a police officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty with the flags of the Commonwealth and the United States.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael Muse</i>	<i>Boston Police Detective Benevolent Society 434 Hyde Park Avenue Roslindale, MA</i>
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<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Bradford R. Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>

<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Gerard Cassidy</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Juana B. Matias</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Jerald A. Parisella</i>	<i>6th Essex</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>

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By Representative Walsh of Peabody and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1459) of Thomas P. Walsh and others relative to providing the next of kin of a police officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty with the flags of the Commonwealth and the United States. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act providing the next of kin of a police officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty with the flags of the Commonwealth and the United States.

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 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 89E the following section:-

3 Section 89F. If a sworn police officer of a police department of city or town, a sworn
4 police officer of the department of state police or a firefighter for a fire department of a city or
5 town, is killed, or dies from injuries received, or dies as a natural or proximate result of
6 undergoing a hazard peculiar to his or her employment, while in the performance of his or her
7 duty, their next of kin shall receive a flag of the commonwealth of Massachusetts and a flag of
8 the United States during the memorial service, the cost of which shall be borne by the
9 commonwealth.