

HOUSE No. 1696

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Shaunna L. O'Connell

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 promoting small business in Massachusetts.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i> | <i>3rd Bristol</i> | <i>1/18/2017</i> |
| <i>Geoff Diehl</i> | <i>7th Plymouth</i> | <i>1/27/2017</i> |
| <i>David F. DeCoste</i> | <i>5th Plymouth</i> | <i>1/24/2017</i> |
| <i>James J. Dwyer</i> | <i>30th Middlesex</i> | <i>1/26/2017</i> |
| <i>Leonard Mirra</i> | <i>2nd Essex</i> | <i>1/25/2017</i> |

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By Mrs. O'Connell of Taunton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1696) of Shaunna L. O'Connell and others for the annual issuance of a proclamation by the Governor setting apart the first Saturday and Sunday following Thanksgiving day as small business weekend. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act promoting small business 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 Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 15BBBBBB
2 the following section:-

3 Section 15CCCCCC. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the
4 first Saturday and Sunday following Thanksgiving Day as Small Business Weekend, and
5 recommend that said weekend be observed by the people in an appropriate manner.