HOUSE No. 904

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul McMurtry

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 relative to farmers markets.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk	1/18/2017
Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex	
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden	
Frank I. Smizik	15th Norfolk	·
Leonard Mirra	2nd Essex	·
Aaron Vega	5th Hampden	·
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex	
Keiko M. Orrall	12th Bristol	
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk	
Hannah Kane	11th Worcester	
Mary S. Keefe	15th Worcester	
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex	
Paul A. Schmid, III	8th Bristol	
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex	

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By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 904) of Paul McMurtry and others relative to the liability of farmers' markets. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1489 OF 2015-2016.]

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

An Act relative to farmers markets.

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. Section 10 of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-
- 3 Any person who displays, exhibits or sells their homemade or home grown products or
- 4 produce within the commonwealth at public farmers' markets and farm stands shall be allowed
- 5 to provide customers with taste samples of their products without incurring any liability.
- 6 Conformity to sanitary health codes and requirements such as sinks and heating apparatus shall
- 7 not be applicable under this paragraph.