SENATE No. 1711

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Linda Dorcena Forry

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 the Garden of Peace Honoring Victims of Homicide.

PETITION OF:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
First Suffolk	
Bristol and Norfolk	2/3/2017
First Essex	4/21/2017
	First Suffolk Bristol and Norfolk

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By Ms. Forry, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1711) of Linda Dorcena Forry and James E. Timilty for legislation relative to the Garden of Peace Honoring Victims of Homicide. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

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

An Act relative to the Garden of Peace Honoring Victims of Homicide.

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. Section 4 of chapter 258B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (d) the following subsection:-
- 3 Subsection (e). Assume the management and administration of the Garden of Peace, a
- 4 public memorial garden located on the Plaza of 100 Cambridge Street in Boston to honor victims
- 5 of homicide.
- Receive any gifts or grants of money or property for the purpose of assisting the board in
- 7 the maintenance and operation of the memorial.
- 8 Establish an advisory committee consisting of individuals who have served on the Garden
- 9 of Peace board or other interested citizens appointed by the board to provide ongoing advice to
- 10 the VWAB.

SECTION 2. Chapter 10 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 35DDD the following section:-

Section 35EEE. There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth a separate fund to be known as the Garden of Peace Trust Fund to be used, without further appropriation, for the operation of the Garden of Peace. The fund shall consist of the existing balance held by the Garden of Peace, Inc. and future donations received from the public for the Garden of Peace. Any balance in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund, but shall remain available for expenditure in subsequent years. No expenditure made from the fund shall cause the fund to become deficient at any point during a fiscal year.