

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2669**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bruce J. Ayers***

*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 designating the month of October as adopt a shelter dog month.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>	<i>1/9/2019</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mr. Ayers of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2669) of Bruce J. Ayers and others for the issuance by the Governor of an annual proclamation setting apart the month of October as adopt a shelter dog awareness month. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1653 OF 2017-2018.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act designating the month of October as adopt a shelter dog month.

*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 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after Section  
2   15TTTTT, the following section:

3           Section 15UUUUU. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the  
4   month of October as Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, to increase public awareness and encourage  
5   the adoption of shelter and rescue dogs in Massachusetts, and recommend that the day be  
6   observed in an appropriate manner by the people.