

# **HOUSE . . . . . No. 4194**

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, November 14, 2019.

The committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, to whom was referred the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3950) of David Biele and Nick Collins that the Department of Conservation and Recreation designate a certain area at Castle Island in the city of Boston in memory of John J. Mullen, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4194) ought to pass.

For the committee,

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act designating certain areas of the World War II Memorial in the city of Boston in memory of Edward J. Morrissey, John J. Mullen and Joseph P. Murphy.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to designate forthwith certain areas of the Word War II Memorial in the city of Boston in memory of Edward J. Morrissey, John J. Mullen and Joseph P. Murphy, and to honor their military service and advocacy on behalf of veterans, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           The plaza, and gazebo and surrounding walkway at the World War II Memorial located  
2           at the Castle Island Reservation that is under the care and control of the department of  
3           conservation and recreation, in the South Boston section of the city of Boston shall be designated  
4           in memory of Edward J. Morrissey who served honorably in the United States Marine Corps. in  
5           the Korean War; John J. Mullen who served honorably in the United States Marine Corps in  
6           World War II; and Joseph P. Murphy who served honorably in the United States Navy in World  
7           War II.

8           As a veteran, each was a Commander of the Thomas J. Fitzgerald VFW Post 561, who  
9           advocated on behalf of other veterans and for the South Boston community.

10           The department shall install and maintain suitable markers on the granite monuments  
11 honoring past commanders, and at other appropriate locations, in compliance with the standards  
12 of the department.