HOUSE No. 2683

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Claire D. Cronin

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 honoring the founding of the United States Army, the United States Air Force, and the National Guard.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| Claire D. Cronin | 11th Plymouth | 1/14/2019 |
| Carole A. Fiola | 6th Bristol | 1/18/2019 |
| Michael D. Brady | Second Plymouth and Bristol | 2/1/2019 |
| Michelle M. DuBois | 10th Plymouth | 2/1/2019 |

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By Ms. Cronin of Easton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2683) of Claire D. Cronin and others relative to honoring the founding of the United States Army, the United States Air Force and the National Guard. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act relative to honoring the founding of the United States Army, the United States Air Force, and the National Guard.

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 15 BBBBBB
 2 the following 3 sections:-
- 3 Section 15CCCCCC. The governor shall annually set apart the fourteenth of June, the
- 4 anniversary of the founding of the United States Army, in recognition of the distinguished
- 5 patriotic services rendered by that organization, and by the citizens of the commonwealth who so
- 6 gallantly served, and issue a proclamation recommending that the day be observed by the people
- 7 in the display of the flag and in appropriate public exercises, commemorative of the services and
- 8 sacrifices of the citizens of the commonwealth who have served and continue to serve in the
- 9 defense of the United States.
- Section 15DDDDDD. The governor shall annually set apart the eighteenth of September,
- the anniversary of the founding of the United States Air Force, in recognition of its

distinguished history of service as a projector of American air power in support in defense of the Nation, and by the citizens of the commonwealth who so gallantly served, and issue a proclamation recommending that the day be observed by the people in the display of the flag and in appropriate public exercises, commemorative of the services and sacrifices of the citizens of the commonwealth who have served and continue to serve in the defense of the United States.

Section 15FFFFFF. The governor shall annually set apart the thirteenth of December, the anniversary of the founding of the National Guard, in recognition of its role as an operational reserve of the United States Army and Air Force, providing ready, well equipped personnel and equipment to support the federal military mission when called upon by the President and the governor of the commonwealth to respond to domestic emergencies, and by the citizen soldiers and airmen of the commonwealth who have unfailingly answered the call of duty, issue a proclamation recommending that the day be observed by the people in the display of the flag and in appropriate public exercises, commemorative of the services and sacrifices of the citizens of the commonwealth who have served and continue to serve in the defense of the United States.