

SENATE No. 1793

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Dean A. Tran

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 preservation of agricultural lands.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Dean A. Tran</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>	
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>	
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/2/2019</i>

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By Mr. Tran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1793) of Dean A. Tran, James Arciero, Ryan C. Fattman and David F. DeCoste for legislation to the preserve agricultural lands. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1465 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act relative to the preservation of agricultural lands.

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 4 of chapter 61A of the general laws, as so appearing in the 2016
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the first paragraph thereof the
3 following new paragraph: -

4 Whenever an owner holds two or more non-contiguous areas of land in one or more
5 subdivisions of the commonwealth equaling not less than five acres, said owner shall have right
6 to apply for the provisions of this section provided all parcels are within a 10-mile radius of one
7 another, or within the confines of a single municipality. Said acreage shall meet all the
8 requirements for the benefits of this section as if the land was contiguous.