

SENATE No. 1882

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark C. Montigny

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 to establish February 14 as Frederick Douglass Day.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | |
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| <i>Mark C. Montigny</i> | <i>Second Bristol and Plymouth</i> | |
| <i>Anne M. Gobi</i> | <i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i> | <i>1/24/2019</i> |
| <i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i> | <i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i> | <i>1/29/2019</i> |

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By Mr. Montigny, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1882) of Mark C. Montigny, Anne M. Gobi and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to establish February 14 as Frederick Douglass Day. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1740 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act to establish February 14 as Frederick Douglass Day.

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 15FFFFFF the following section:-

3 Section 15GGGGG. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart
4 February 14 as Frederick Douglass Day, in recognition of the outstanding contributions of
5 Frederick Douglass to the abolitionist movement and his lifelong fight for equality in the city of
6 New Bedford, the commonwealth and throughout the United States, and recommend that the day
7 be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.