SENATE No. 2153

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nick Collins

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 establishing a committee to study an appropriate location for a memorial to LGBT service members and veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Nick Collins	First Suffolk	
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex	1/24/2019
Kevin G. Honan	17th Suffolk	1/29/2019
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex	1/30/2019
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	1/30/2019
Patrick M. O'Connor	Plymouth and Norfolk	1/30/2019
Cindy F. Friedman	Fourth Middlesex	1/30/2019
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	1/31/2019
Julian Cyr	Cape and Islands	2/1/2019
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	2/1/2019

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By Mr. Collins, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2153) of Nick Collins, Jason M. Lewis, Kevin G. Honan, Kate Hogan and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a committee to study an appropriate location for a memorial to LGBT service members and veterans. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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

An Act establishing a committee to study an appropriate location for a memorial to LGBT service members and veterans.

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. There shall be a special commission established to investigate and study the
- 2 history of LGBT service members and veterans in Massachusetts, and to determine an
- 3 appropriate location for a memorial to their service. The commission shall report its findings,
- 4 including any proposed legislation, to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the
- 5 joint committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs and the Department of Capital Asset
- 6 Management no later than June 1, 2021.
- 7 SECTION 2. The commission shall consist of: 2 members of the senate, 1 of whom shall
- 8 serve as co-chair appointed by the Senate President, and 1 of whom shall be a member of the
- 9 minority party appointed by the senate minority leader; 2 members of the house of
- 10 representatives appointed by the Speaker, 1 of whom shall serve as co-chair, and 1 of whom shall
- be a member of the minority party appointed by the house minority leader; the house and senate

- 12 chairs of the joint committee on Veteran and Federal Affairs or their designees; the Secretary of
- 13 the Department on Veteran Services or a designee; the commissioner of Veterans Services of the
- city of Boston or a designee; and 1 member appointed by the Governor, selected from a list of 3
- persons nominated by OutVets.