HOUSE No. 3192

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jack Patrick Lewis and Maria Duaime Robinson

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 an Overdose Awareness Day.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex	2/19/2021
Maria Duaime Robinson	6th Middlesex	2/19/2021
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester	2/19/2021
Tami L. Gouveia	14th Middlesex	2/22/2021
Patrick Joseph Kearney	4th Plymouth	2/22/2021
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	2/22/2021
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	2/23/2021
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	2/25/2021
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex	2/25/2021
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex	2/25/2021
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex	2/25/2021
Rebecca L. Rausch	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex	2/25/2021
Christina A. Minicucci	14th Essex	2/26/2021
Jeffrey N. Roy	10th Norfolk	2/26/2021
Nika C. Elugardo	15th Suffolk	2/26/2021
Kenneth I. Gordon	21st Middlesex	3/2/2021
Brian W. Murray	10th Worcester	3/10/2021
Steven C. Owens	29th Middlesex	3/4/2021

Steven Ultrino	33rd Middlesex	3/10/2021
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex	3/12/2021
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	3/14/2021
Brendan P. Crighton	Third Essex	3/19/2021
John C. Velis	Second Hampden and Hampshire	3/24/2021
Tackey Chan	2nd Norfolk	3/24/2021
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	3/26/2021
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex	3/29/2021
Kate Lipper-Garabedian	32nd Middlesex	3/31/2021
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire	7/12/2021

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By Representatives Lewis of Framingham and Robinson of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3192) of Jack Patrick Lewis, Maria Duaime Robinson and others for the annual issuance of a proclamation by the Governor setting apart August 31 as overdose awareness day. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act establishing an Overdose Awareness 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, as so appearing in the 2018 official edition,
- 2 is hereby amended by inserting after section 15IIIIII, the following section:-
- 3 Section 15JJJJJJ. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart August
- 4 31 as Overdose Awareness Day, in memory of the many lives lost to overdose in the
- 5 Commonwealth and to raise awareness and reduce the stigma of substance use disorders and
- 6 overdose, and recommending that the day be observed by lowering the flag of the Massachusetts
- 7 State House to half-staff, and in an appropriate manner by the people.