SENATE No. 2049

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James B. Eldridge

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 Massachusetts Freedom Day.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:James B. EldridgeMiddlesex and Worcester

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By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2049) of James B. Eldridge for legislation to establish Massachusetts Freedom Day. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1840 OF 2019-2020.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act establishing Massachusetts Freedom Day.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section
- 2 15LLLLLL the following section:-
- 3 Section 15MMMMM. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart
- 4 the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November as Massachusetts Freedom
- 5 Day and recommending that it be observed by the people, with appropriate exercises in the
- 6 schools and otherwise, to celebrate free and fair elections, which are the cornerstone of a vibrant,
- 7 successful democracy, by protecting the freedom to vote for all residents of the commonwealth.