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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Ryan C. Fattman***

*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 August 31st as Overdose Awareness Day in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | |
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| *Ryan C. Fattman* | *Worcester and Norfolk* | |
| *Steven G. Xiarhos* | *5th Barnstable* | *4/8/2021* |
| *Colleen M. Garry* | *36th Middlesex* | *4/12/2021* |
| *Kate Hogan* | *3rd Middlesex* | *4/28/2021* |
| *Brian W. Murray* | *10th Worcester* | *4/29/2021* |
| *John F. Keenan* | *Norfolk and Plymouth* | *4/30/2021* |
| *Bruce E. Tarr* | *First Essex and Middlesex* | *6/3/2021* |
| *Timothy R. Whelan* | *1st Barnstable* | *12/17/2021* |

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By Mr. Fattman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2469) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Ryan C. Fattman, Steven G. Xiarhos, Colleen M. Garry, Kate Hogan and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish August 31st as Overdose Awareness Day in the Commonwealth. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act establishing August 31st as Overdose Awareness Day in the Commonwealth.

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

Chapter 4 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

Section 16A. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the thirty-first day of August as Overdose Awareness Day, and recommending that said day be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.