The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 provide a safe harbor for health regulations.

PETITION OF:

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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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in a civil action against a business arising from alleged infection of COVID-19, so called, it shall be an affirmative defense that the business made any and all reasonable efforts to comply with all local, state, and federal laws regulations, rules, guidance, and standards applicable to public health and the prevention of virus transmission.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of this section, the term business shall include entities organized for profit and not for profit under the laws of the commonwealth and the United States.