HOUSE No. 3063

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 relative to permitting public corporations to hold remote annual and special meetings.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex	1/17/2023
Nicholas A. Boldyga	3rd Hampden	1/26/2023
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth	1/26/2023
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol	1/26/2023
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester	1/31/2023
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester	1/31/2023
Hannah Kane	11th Worcester	3/1/2023
David F. DeCoste	5th Plymouth	4/5/2023

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By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3063) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for legislation to authorize public corporations to hold remote annual and special meetings. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act relative to permitting public corporations to hold remote annual and special meetings.

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. Section 7.08 of chapter 156D of the General Laws is hereby amended by
 - striking out the first paragraph, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, and inserting in place
- 3 thereof the following paragraph:-

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- 4 Unless otherwise provided in the articles of organization or bylaws, if authorized by the
- 5 board of directors: any annual or special meeting of shareholders need not be held at any place
- 6 but may instead be held solely by means of remote communication, including, if said meetings
- 7 are held by public corporations; and subject to such guidelines and procedures as the board of
- 8 directors may adopt, shareholders and proxyholders not physically present at a meeting of
- 9 shareholders may, by means of remote communications: