SENATE No. 1283

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia Stone Creem

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 exempting the town of Brookline from in-person quorums.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Cynthia Stone CreemNorfolk and Middlesex

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1283) of Cynthia Stone Creem (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt the town of Brookline from in-person quorums. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 2685 OF 2021-2022.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act exempting the town of Brookline from in-person quorums.

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. The town of Brookline shall be exempt from the provision of subsection (d)
- 2 of section 20 of chapter 30A of the General Laws requiring that a quorum of a public body,
- 3 including the chair, be present at an in-person meeting location in order for the attorney general
- 4 to authorize remote participation by members of such public body pursuant to said subsection (d)
- 5 of said section 20 of said chapter 30A.
- 6 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.