

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1459**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Thomas P. Walsh and 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 providing the next of kin of a police officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty with the flags of the Commonwealth and the United States.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael Muse</i>	<i>Boston Police Detective Benevolent Society 434 Hyde Park Avenue Roslindale, MA</i>
<i>Larry Calderone</i>	<i>Boston Police Patrolmen's Association, Inc. 295 Freeport Street Boston, MA 02122-3513</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Bradford R. Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>

<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Gerard Cassidy</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Juana Matias</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Jerald A. Parisella</i>	<i>6th Essex</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>

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By Representative Walsh of Peabody and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1459) of Thomas P. Walsh and others relative to providing the next of kin of a police officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty with the flags of the Commonwealth and the United States. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**

An Act providing the next of kin of a police officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty with the flags of the Commonwealth and the United States.

*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. Chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 89E the following section:-

3 Section 89F. If a sworn police officer of a police department of city or town, a sworn  
4 police officer of the department of state police or a firefighter for a fire department of a city or  
5 town, is killed, or dies from injuries received, or dies as a natural or proximate result of  
6 undergoing a hazard peculiar to his or her employment, while in the performance of his or her  
7 duty, their next of kin shall receive a flag of the commonwealth of Massachusetts and a flag of  
8 the United States during the memorial service, the cost of which shall be borne by the  
9 commonwealth.