HOUSE No. 1971

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas A. Golden, 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 to improve access to pharmacy services in hospitals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Thomas A. Golden, Jr.	16th Middlesex
David M. Nangle	17th Middlesex

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By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1971) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr. and David M. Nangle for legislation to improve the collaborative drug therapy management law. Public Health.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act to improve access to pharmacy services in hospitals.

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: Subsection (a) of Section 24B ½of chapter 112 of the General laws, as
- 2 appearing in the 2012 official edition, is hereby amended by inserting after each instance of
- 3 "supervising physician" the words ", attending physician or attending physician's designee in the
- 4 hospital setting".
- 5 Section 2: Subsection (c) of Section 24B½ of Chapter 112 of the General laws, as so
- 6 appearing, is hereby amended by adding after the word "designee;" the following "provided, that
- 7 a patient's attending physician or attending physician's designee may refer a patient to a
- 8 pharmacist practicing under a collaborative practice agreement overseen by a supervising
- 9 physician whose scope of practice is in that area of medicine;"