

HOUSE No. 2380

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>John Nelson</i>	<i>Massachusetts Coalition of Police, P.O.Box 768, Millbury, Ma 01527</i>
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<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>John Barrett, III</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>

<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Rady Mom</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>
<i>Jonathan D. Zlotnik</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Richard M. Haggerty</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>First Essex</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Paul F. Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>

<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>

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By Representative Walsh of Peabody and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2380) 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.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1459 OF 2017-2018.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**
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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.