## **HOUSE** . . No. 3818

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
PRESENTED BY:
Carlos Gonzalez
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 city of Springfield from certain provisions of the General Laws and authorizing it to lease certain park land.
PETITION OF:

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By Mr. Gonzalez of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3818) of Carlos Gonzalez (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Springfield be authorized to enter into an agreement with Pioneer Valley Riverfront Club for the operation of a community rowing and boating center at North Riverfront Park . Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act exempting the city of Springfield from certain provisions of the General Laws and authorizing it to lease certain park land.

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. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 30B of the General Laws or any
- 2 other general or special law to the contrary, the City of Springfield is hereby authorized to enter
- 3 into an agreement with Pioneer Valley Riverfront Club, Inc. (hereinafter, "PVRC") for the
- 4 operation of a community rowing and boating center at North Riverfront Park for a term not to
- 5 exceed twenty years, under such terms and conditions as the City of Springfield and PVRC may
- 6 agree upon from time to time.

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- 8 SECTION 2. The City of Springfield is hereby authorized, pursuant to Article Ninety-
- 9 Seven of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to lease North Riverfront
- 10 Park to PVRC for the purposes stated in Section One of this Act, for a term not to exceed twenty

11 years, under such terms and conditions as the City of Springfield and PVRC may agree upon 12 from time to time. 13 14 SECTION 3. North Riverfront Park is properly described as follows: approximately 148,409.00 square feet of land, with improvements thereon, located on the south side of West 15 Street in the City of Springfield, having a City parcel identification number of 12145-0050, bordered on the northwest by land now or formerly of Pride Limited Partnership and on the 17 southwest by the Connecticut River. 18 19 20 SECTION 4. PVRC may set and charge, subject to the approval of the City of Springfield 21 Board of Park Commissioners, reasonable fees for admission to any facilities or improvements at 22 North Riverfront Park, and for participation in any programs or activities offered by PVRC at 23 North Riverfront Park. 24 25 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage.