SENATE No. 1896

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Edward J. Kennedy

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 a local option to allow more solar energy generation on farmlands.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Edward J. KennedyFirst Middlesex

SENATE No. 1896

By Mr. Kennedy, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1896) of Edward J. Kennedy for legislation to provide a local option to allow more solar energy generation on farmlands. Revenue.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act providing a local option to allow more solar energy generation on farmlands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- The General Laws are hereby amended by inserting at the end of Section 2A of Chapter
- 2 61A the following:
- 3 (d) Any city or town may opt to allow any individual agricultural property used to
- 4 generate additional solar energy in excess of 125 percent to be subject to the tax deferral status
- 5 under the this chapter through a local option vote in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter
- 6 4.