SENATE No. 2011

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert L. Hedlund

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 relative to trigeminal neuralgia awareness month.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| Robert L. Hedlund | Plymouth and Norfolk |

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By Mr. Hedlund, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2011) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert L. Hedlund for legislation relative to trigeminal neuralgia awareness month. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to trigeminal neuralgia awareness month.

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 6 of the | General Laws, | as appearing | in the 2012 | Official | Edition, | is |
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2 hereby amended by inserting after Section 15TTTTT, the following section:

3 Section 15UUUUU. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the

4 month of October as Trigeminal Neuralgia Awareness Month, to increase public awareness and

5 understanding of Trigeminal Neuralgia, a rare chronic pain condition that affects the trigeminal

6 nerve and is considered one of the most painful conditions seen in medicine with an unknown

7 cause, and recommend that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.