

SENATE No. 2153

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nick Collins

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 establishing a committee to study an appropriate location for a memorial to LGBT service members and veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Cindy F. Friedman</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Julian Cyr</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mr. Collins, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2153) of Nick Collins, Jason M. Lewis, Kevin G. Honan, Kate Hogan and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a committee to study an appropriate location for a memorial to LGBT service members and veterans. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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

An Act establishing a committee to study an appropriate location for a memorial to LGBT service members and veterans.

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. There shall be a special commission established to investigate and study the
2 history of LGBT service members and veterans in Massachusetts, and to determine an
3 appropriate location for a memorial to their service. The commission shall report its findings,
4 including any proposed legislation, to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the
5 joint committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs and the Department of Capital Asset
6 Management no later than June 1, 2021.

7 SECTION 2. The commission shall consist of: 2 members of the senate, 1 of whom shall
8 serve as co-chair appointed by the Senate President, and 1 of whom shall be a member of the
9 minority party appointed by the senate minority leader; 2 members of the house of
10 representatives appointed by the Speaker, 1 of whom shall serve as co-chair, and 1 of whom shall
11 be a member of the minority party appointed by the house minority leader; the house and senate

12 chairs of the joint committee on Veteran and Federal Affairs or their designees; the Secretary of
13 the Department on Veteran Services or a designee ; the commissioner of Veterans Services of the
14 city of Boston or a designee; and 1 member appointed by the Governor, selected from a list of 3
15 persons nominated by OutVets.