HOUSE No. 1173

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 death certificates.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Bradley H. Jones, Jr. | 20th Middlesex |
| Susan Williams Gifford | 2nd Plymouth |
| Paul K. Frost | 7th Worcester |
| Todd M. Smola | 1st Hampden |
| F. Jay Barrows | 1st Bristol |
| Sheila C. Harrington | 1st Middlesex |
| Keiko M. Orrall | 12th Bristol |
| Mathew Muratore | 1st Plymouth |
| Steven S. Howitt | 4th Bristol |
| Kimberly N. Ferguson | 1st Worcester |
| Hannah Kane | 11th Worcester |
| Nicholas A. Boldyga | 3rd Hampden |

FILED ON: 1/19/2017

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1173) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to death certificates. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1982 OF 2015-2016.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court (2017-2018)

An Act relative to death certificates.

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. Section 1 of chapter 46 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting in line 29 after the word "disposition.", the
- 3 following:-
- 4 If the deceased has been cremated and such remains have been buried, the death
- 5 certificate shall indicate both the crematory and the place of final disposition of such cremated
- 6 remains, if available.