HOUSE No. 2712

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Poirier

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to exempting farmers' markets from certain property taxes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
James E. Timilty	Bristol and Norfolk
Stephen L. DiNatale	3rd Worcester
Linda Dorcena Forry	12th Suffolk
Shaunna O'Connell	3rd Bristol
Keiko M. Orrall	12th Bristol

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By Ms. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2712) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to exempt farmers' markets from certain property taxes. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE

□ HOUSE
□ , NO. *4143* OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to exempting farmers' markets from certain property taxes.

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. Section 2B of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 18, after the words "and laws", the
- 3 following:
- 4 provided further, that, subject to section 4 of chapter 4, for the purposes of this section, a
- 5 farmers' market, as defined by the Massachusetts department of agricultural resources, shall be
- 6 considered a public purpose.