

HOUSE No. 2882

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John W. Scibak

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 designating PANDAS/PANS Awareness Day.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>John D. Keenan</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>Stanley C. Rosenberg</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Garrett J. Bradley</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>Rhonda Nyman</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Karen E. Spilka</i>	<i>Second Middlesex and Norfolk</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven M. Walsh</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>

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By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2882) of John W. Scibak and others for the annual proclamation by the Governor setting apart May 4th as PANDAS/PANS Awareness Day, to raise awareness of the occurrence of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act designating PANDAS/PANS Awareness Day.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith PANDAS/PANS Awareness Day on May 4th, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

- 1 Chapter 6 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after
- 2 section 15RRRRR, as amended by chapter 276 of the acts of 2012, the following section:-
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- 4 Section 15SSSSS. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart May 4th as
- 5 PANDAS/PANS Awareness Day, to raise awareness of the occurrence of pediatric autoimmune
- 6 neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-onset
- 7 neuropsychiatric syndrome and recommending that the day be observed in an appropriate
- 8 manner by the people.