HOUSE No. 2944

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Harold P. Naughton, 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 establishing a cultural highway.

PETITION OF:

NAME: DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Harold P. Naughton, Jr. 12th Worcester

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By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2944) of Harold P. Naughton, Jr. relative to establishing a cultural highway along state highway Route 62 in the towns of Hudson, Berlin, Clinton, Sterling, Princeton, Stow and Maynard. Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1783 OF 2017-2018.]

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

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

- Chapter 132A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following section:-
- 3 Section 19. There is hereby established along state highway route 62 in the towns of
- 4 Hudson, Berlin, Clinton, Sterling, Princeton, Stow, and Maynard, a cultural highway, which shall
- 5 ensure the preservation of the economic, cultural, historical, agricultural and scenic aspects
- 6 unique to the route and its host municipalities. The secretary of energy and environmental affairs
- shall establish the exact meets and bounds of the cultural highway and shall develop a program
- 8 to protect those resources within the cultural highway. Such program may include, but is not
- 9 limited to, the implementation of conservation restrictions, preservation restrictions, agricultural

10	preservation restrictions,	watershed preservati	on restrictions,	, and the establishment	of historical

11 districts.