

HOUSE No. 3023

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael F. Rush

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 Recognizing Massachusetts State Parks Day.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Michael F. Rush	10th Suffolk
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Bruce J. Ayers	1st Norfolk
Robert L. Rice, Jr.	2nd Worcester
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RECOGNIZING MASSACHUSETTS STATE PARKS DAY.

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: Massachusetts is home to 450,000 acres of park land; including beaches, reservoirs,
2 lakes and other natural resources. The health and welfare of people across Massachusetts
3 depends on the accessibility and quality of the state's park system. Massachusetts should aim
4 to enhance and protect its broad array of natural and recreational resources with the ultimate
5 goal of creating a world class parks system.

- 6 Therefore the governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the first Wednesday in
7 May as Massachusetts State Parks Day in recognition of the importance to promote, enhance
8 and maintain the Commonwealth's park land and recreational facilities, aiming to create a
9 world class parks syste, and recommend that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by
10 the people.