

SENATE No. 133

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis

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 the Office of Massachusetts Main Streets.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/23/2023</i>

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By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 133) of Jason M. Lewis and Rebecca L. Rausch for legislation to establish the Office of Massachusetts Main Streets. Community Development and Small Businesses.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 151 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act establishing the Office of Massachusetts Main Streets.

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 23A of the 2020 Official Edition of the General Laws is hereby amended after
2 section 13 by inserting the following new section:-

3 131/2. Office of Massachusetts Main Streets

4 Within Office of Business Development, there shall be established an Office of
5 Massachusetts Main Streets. The Office of Massachusetts Main Streets shall serve as the
6 principal agency for promoting and protecting the downtown and commercial districts of the
7 commonwealth’s cities and towns. The Office of Massachusetts Main Streets shall provide
8 informational, marketing, and technical assistance to federal, state and local Main Street groups

- 9 and coordinate federal, state and local Main Street efforts to further accomplish the goal of
- 10 promoting and protecting downtown and commercial districts of the Commonwealth.