SENATE No. 494

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Walter F. Timilty

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 relative to the preservation of Fowl Meadow.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Walter F. Timilty	Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth	
John H. Rogers	12th Norfolk	1/26/2017
William C. Galvin	6th Norfolk	1/30/2017

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By Mr. Timilty, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 494) of Walter F. Timilty, John H. Rogers and William C. Galvin relative to the protection of property owned by the Commonwealth and part of the Blue Hills Reservation referred to as Fowl Meadow. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 766 OF 2015-2016.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court (2017-2018)

An Act relative to the preservation of Fowl Meadow.

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

- Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, no
- 2 development shall be permitted within 1000 feet of the portion of the Town of Milton and the
- 3 Town of Canton, referred to as Fowl Meadow, or any land abutting Fowl Meadow, which
- 4 development shall negatively impact this unique area encompassing upland open meadows,
- 5 pristine wetlands and mature woods. Negative impact shall be determined to be a change of
- 6 grade, re-routing or changing water flow, draining wetlands or altering the topography such that
- 7 rare and/or endangered species shall not have the ability to inhabit two or more of the portions of
- 8 the unique areas named herein.