

HOUSE No. 2716

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kate Hogan

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 designating the blanding turtle as the official turtle of the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Kelcourse</i>	<i>1st Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Nika C. Elugardo</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>

James K. Hawkins

2nd Bristol

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By Ms. Hogan of Stow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2716) of Kate Hogan and others for legislation to designate the blanding turtle as the official turtle or turtle emblem of the Commonwealth. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act designating the blanding turtle as the official turtle of the Commonwealth.

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. Chapter 2 of the General Laws as appearing the 2016 Official Edition is
2 hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following section:-

3 Section 64. The Blanding Turtle shall be the official turtle or turtle emblem of the
4 Commonwealth.