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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts



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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives,

Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 8, Paragraph 1, Clause (2) of the Amendments to the Constitution as amended by the Article LXXXIX, I am filing for your consideration the attached legislation entitled "An Act Validating the Actions Taken at a Certain State Primary in the Town of Mattapoisett"

Representative Straus, Senator Montigny and the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen have requested that I file this legislation on behalf of the Town of Mattapoisett (Town). The purpose of this legislation it to ratify the results of the Town's September 9, 2014 State Primary Election to the same extent as if the warrant for the meeting had been signed and posted in full compliance with the law as required by G.L. c. 39 § 10.

The Town and bill sponsors are confident that the Town residents received adequate notice. I urge your early and favorable consideration of this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

Deval L. Patrick, *Governor* 

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Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to validating the actions taken at a certain state primary in the town of Mattapoisett Massachusetts.

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In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

An Act validating the actions taken at a certain state primary in the town of Mattapoisett Massachusetts.

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

- SECTION 1. Notwithstanding Section 10 of Chapter 39 of the General Laws or any
- 2 other general or special law or town bylaw to the contrary, the acts and proceedings taken by the
- 3 Town of Mattapoisett at the September 9, 2014 State Primary, and all actions taken pursuant
- 4 thereto, are hereby ratified, validated and confirmed to the same extent as if the warrant for said
- 5 primary had been executed and posted as required by law.
- 6 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.