

# HOUSE . . . . No. 2963

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 3, 1956.

The joint committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1724) of James R. Lawton, Wilfred A. Derosier, Adolph Johnson and Malcolm B. Boynton for a proper representation of the Commonwealth at the Bridgewater Tercentenary celebration to be held in the towns of Bridgewater, East Bridgewater, West Bridgewater and the city of Brockton, report the accompanying resolutions (House, No. 2963).

For the committee,

NATHANIEL TILDEN.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Six.

RESOLUTIONS CONGRATULATING THE TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER  
ON THE OCCASION OF ITS THREE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY.

*Whereas*, Bridgewater was established as a town on June third, sixteen hundred and fifty-six; and

*Whereas*, Said town played a courageous rôle in the early days of Plymouth Colony, being its first interior settlement, it stood steadfast in the troubles and dangers of the savage warfare with the Indians especially King Philip's war; and

*Whereas*, The citizens of Bridgewater, ever conscious of this heritage of courage have always answered the call to duty during time of war; and

*Whereas*, Said town being one of the first to manufacture iron, the first to manufacture small arms in New England, has continued its good reputation for mechanics and manufacture thereby contributing to the economic growth and development of the commonwealth; and

*Whereas*, Said town is now about to celebrate its three hundredth anniversary; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the general court of Massachusetts hereby extends its congratulations and best wishes to the town of Bridgewater, a town with a glorious past and with promise of a more glorious future; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the state secretary forthwith transmit copies of these resolutions to the town clerk of the town of Bridgewater.