

HOUSE No. 655

By Mr. Crowley of Somerville, petition of John H. Burke, mayor of Medford, and John J. Murphy, mayor of Somerville, that control of Mystic Avenue in the city of Somerville be transferred to the Metropolitan District Commission and that said commission be authorized to take by eminent domain land bordering on Mystic River Shore Drive in said city. Metropolitan Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Two.

An Act transferring Control and Maintenance of Part of Mystic Avenue in the City of Somerville to the Metropolitan District Commission, and authorizing Said Commission to acquire Certain Land bordering Mystic River on Shore Drive in the City of Somerville.

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. All that part of Mystic avenue, a
2 state highway in the city of Somerville from the
3 junction of the northern artery so-called and the
4 Fellsway in the city of Somerville to the junction of
5 Mystic avenue and Mystic Valley parkway in the
6 city of Medford, is hereby transferred from the
7 jurisdiction of the department of public works to the
8 jurisdiction, control and maintenance of the metro-
9 politan district commission, and the said metropoli-
10 tan district commission shall have full control of

11 Mystic avenue between the two points above men-
12 tioned formerly under the control of the public
13 works department as a state highway.

1 SECTION 2. The metropolitan district commission
2 is hereby further authorized to do all things neces-
3 sary in the premises to provide for the natural,
4 logical and necessary development of that portion
5 of the shores of the Mystic river from Wellington
6 bridge along shore drive in a westerly direction to
7 Mystic avenue, a state highway in the city of Som-
8 erville. The maintenance and control of the said
9 Mystic river front to be under the sole jurisdiction
10 and control of the metropolitan district commission,
11 provided, however, that the city of Somerville shall
12 be permitted to operate, control and maintain a
13 bathing beach and bath house on said Mystic river
14 waterfront on the Shore drive.

1 SECTION 3. Subject to appropriations hereafter
2 made, the metropolitan district commission is hereby
3 authorized and directed to take by eminent domain
4 or purchase, land and buildings on the Somerville
5 side of the Mystic river bordering on Shore drive in
6 the city of Somerville not now owned or controlled
7 or under the jurisdiction of the metropolitan district
8 commission. One fourth of the cost of said purchase
9 and development shall be assessed to the city of
10 Somerville, and the remainder shall be assessed to
11 the metropolitan district.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.

