

By Mr. Roche of Springfield, petition of Joseph L. Roche and Richard P. Roche relative to making March first a legal holiday in commemoration of John F. Kennedy. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO MAKING MARCH FIRST A LEGAL HOLIDAY IN
COMMEMORATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY.

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. Section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out clause Eighteenth and inserting in
3 place thereof the following clause:—

4 *Eighteenth*, "Legal Holiday" shall include January the first,
5 January the fifteenth, July the fourth and Christmas day, or the
6 day following when any of said days occur on Sunday, and the
7 third Monday in February, the third Monday in April, March first,
8 the last Monday in May, the first Monday in September, the
9 second Monday in October, November eleventh, and Thanksgiv-
10 ing Day. "Legal holiday" shall also include, with respect to Suffolk
11 county only, March the seventeenth and June the seventeenth, or
12 the day following when said days occur on Sunday; provided,
13 however, that the words "legal holiday" as used in section forty-five
14 of chapter one hundred and forty-nine, shall not include March the
15 seventeenth, or the day following when said day occurs on Sunday.

1 SECTION 2. Section 15L of chapter 6 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in
3 place thereof the following paragraph:—

4 The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart
5 March first as John Fitzgerald Kennedy Day and recommending

6 that said day be observed in an appropriate manner in memory
7 John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the thirty-fifth President of the United
8 States.