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KARYN E. POLITO Lieutenant Governor

MARYLOU SUDDERS Secretary

> Joan Mikula Commissioner

> > June 12, 2018

William F. Welch, Senate Clerk Office of the Clerk of the Senate State House, Room 335 Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Mr. Welch:

In response to Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017, in Section 57, amended GL. Chapter 123 §35 the Commissioner of Mental Health is required to report annually whether a facility other than the Massachusetts Correctional Institution at Bridgewater, Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center (MASAC) is being used for the treatment of males committed to MASAC under Section 35, and the number of persons so committed to such a facility in the previous year.

Although the Department of Mental Health does not maintain this information, I have inquired of the Department of Correction, and have received the following information:

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Please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Correction if you need additional information.

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cc: Thomas A. Turco III, Commissioner of Correction

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Steven T. James, House Clerk Office of the Clerk of the House State House, Room 145 Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Mr. James:

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The Honorable Michael O. Moore, Chair Senate Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security State House, Room 167 Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Chairman Moore:

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The Honorable Harold P. Naughton, Jr., Chair House Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security State House, Room 167 Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Chairman Naughton:

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The Honorable William N. Brownsberger, Chair Senate Committee on the Judiciary State House, Room 136 Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Chairman Brownsberger:

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The Honorable Claire Cronin, Chair House Committee on the Judiciary State House, Room 136 Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Chairwoman Cronin:

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