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### **Senator Gobi Participates in Organ Donor Event at State House**

(BOSTON) – **Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer)** and her colleagues joined Public Health Commissioner Dr. Monica Bharel, transplant surgeons, New England Donor Services, and individuals personally touched by organ donation at the State House to announce the Department of Public Health's (DPH) state wide education campaign on organ and tissue donation.

"Every one of us can make a difference by agreeing to be organ and tissue donors," said Senator Gobi. "Meeting with families whose loved ones were donors and hearing how comforting it is for them to know that their loved one saved others helps with their loss."

According to the United Network for Organ Sharing, every ten minutes someone is added to the national transplant waiting list. Every day 22 people on average die waiting for an organ to become available. One organ donor can save eight lives.

For more information visit the Department of Public Health's website at <http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dph/> .

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