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**METROPOLITAN BEACHES COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING FOR
REVERE, WINTHROP AND EAST BOSTON ON JUNE 7th**

(BOSTON, MA) May 26, 2016. The Metropolitan Beaches Commission will hold a regional public hearing on the state of the Metropolitan Region’s public beaches in Revere, Winthrop and East Boston on Tuesday evening, June 7th from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the **Jack Satter House**, **420 Revere Beach Boulevard in Revere.**

Metropolitan Beaches Commission Co-Chair Senator Thomas McGee of Lynn, who has served on the Commission since its inception in 2007 and Co-Chair RoseLee Vincent of Revere will host the hearing.

MBC Commissioner and State Rep. Adrian Madaro of East Boston, Commissioner Barbara Bishop of Winthrop, Commissioners Carol Haney and Kathi-Anne Reinstein of Revere and Commissioners Manny Lopes and Chris Marchi of East Boston as well as other MBC commissioners from waterfront neighborhoods and beachfront communities from Nahant to Nantasket are expected to attend.

“These public hearings give the region’s residents an opportunity to share their ideas about how to continue to improve our region’s public beaches, and give the Commission and the Department of Conservation and Recreation the chance to assess where we are today and where we hope to go in the future” said Commission Co-Chair Senator Tom McGee of Lynn. “Working together, I am confident that we can protect what we have accomplished and help move these beaches from good to great.”

“We’ve made great progress on these beaches for all the region’s families,” said Commission Co-Chair Representative RoseLee Vincent of Revere. “They have truly benefited from the investments we have made in our beaches and it’s important that we don’t lose the gains we have made.”

“In the past, Metropolitan Beaches Commission hearings have resulted in important investments which have helped make Constitution Beach a terrific asset for our community” said Rep. Adrian Madaro, who serves as the MBC Commissioner from East Boston. “I look forward to hearing from residents about how we can work together to make our beaches even better.”

 “It has taken years of effort to change public perception and improve these beaches,” said Save the Harbor/Save the Bay board member David Spillane of Goody Clancy, who has served as a lead consultant to the Commission since its inception. “However, we could lose this progress in short order if the resources and commitment aren’t there to protect the progress we have made and build on our success.”

**About the Metropolitan Beaches Commission**The Metropolitan Beaches Commission is comprised of elected officials and community, civic, nonprofit, and business leaders from Boston and the metropolitan region’s waterfront neighborhoods and beachfront communities.

The MBC was created in 2006 by the Massachusetts Legislature to take an in-depth look at the metropolitan region’s public beaches in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy and Hull that are managed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation. The Commission reconvened in 2013 to examine the impacts of the reforms and recommendations made in its first report “Beaches We Can Be Proud Of” and issued additional findings and recommendations to better leverage these resources for residents in the future in their 2014 report “Waves of Change”. Today the MBC is a permanent Commission, which reports annually to the House and the Senate.

For more information about the MBC and its history and accomplishments, or to download copies of the Commission’s 2007 and 2014 reports, visit [www.savetheharbor.org/MBC](http://www.savetheharbor.org/MBC)

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