

## **Massachusetts Port Authority**

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Mr. David J. Kale, Town Administrator Town of Belmont 455 Concord Avenue Belmont, MA 02478

Re: Appointment to Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Kale:

I am writing to inform you that, as you may be aware, pursuant to Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2013 (sections 54-55) (the "Legislation"), the Massachusetts Legislature created a new 31-member Massachusetts Port Authority ("MPA") Community Advisory Committee. Chapter 10 of the Acts of 2015 amended Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2013 by adding the following 9 cities and towns to the MPA Community Advisory Committee: Arlington, Belmont, Canton, Lynn, Marblehead, Randolph, Salem, Swampscott and Watertown.

Pursuant to Legislation, the 40-member Community Advisory Committee is to be composed of one appointee from each of the following communities: Arlington, Bedford, Belmont, Beverly, Braintree, Brookline, Cambridge, Canton, Chelsea, Cohasset, Concord, Everett, Hingham, Hull, Lexington, Lincoln, Lynn, Malden, Marblehead, Medford, Melrose, Milton, Nahant, Quincy, Randolph, Revere, Salem, Scituate, Somerville, Swampscott, Watertown, Weymouth, Winthrop, and Worcester; and Boston which shall have six appointees, one of whom shall be from East Boston and one of whom shall be from South Boston. Each appointee shall be a voting member of the Committee.

The members of the MPA Community Advisory Committee are to be appointed by the Chief Executive Officer of the city or town; as such term is defined in Section 55 of the Legislation. Appointees shall be versed in at least one of the following disciplines: Airport Operations, Environmental Affairs, Labor Relations, Public Health or Port Operations.

Once formally constituted, the powers of the Community Advisory Committee shall include that the CAC may provide for staff and incur annual expenses not to exceed \$250,000, make recommendations to the Governor and general court with respect to MPA matters, examine MPA reports, review the annual report and provide comments to the Governor, hold hearings on matters relating to MPA, make recommendations to MPA on the annual budget, and appoint a member to the MPA Board of Directors.

The current Logan CAC, under the direction of President, Sandra Kunz, is serving as the transitional organizer of the new Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee and will be contacting you via separate letter requesting that in accordance with the Legislation you appoint a member of your community to the MPA Community Advisory Committee.

The Legislation may be viewed at: https://malegislature.gov/Laws/SessionLaws/Acts/2013/Chapter46.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Glynn Chief Executive Officer

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