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Bill to authorize additional liquor license for Nathan Fisher House in Westborough signed by Governor

BOSTON – The delegation from Westborough announced that legislation to authorize the town of Westborough to issue an additional liquor license for the onsite sale and consumption of alcohol at the location of the historic Nathan Fisher House was enacted in both the House of Representatives and the Senate was signed by the Governor on August 2, 2016.

An Act authorizing the town of Westborough to grant 1 additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises was filed this past December at the request of the Town of Westborough following a town vote and is now Chapter 181 of the Acts of 2016. The legislation will allow for the sale of beer, wine and liquor for on-site consumption at the site of the Nathan Fisher House. The Nathan Fisher House, a historical property sold by the town in June, 2015 is to be redeveloped by the new owner, Release Well Being Center, LLC in to a multi-use facility featuring a wellness center, restaurant and retail space. The ability for the restaurant to sell alcohol to its patrons will likely contribute to its viability and success.

"I am pleased to have had the opportunity to work with the delegation from Westborough as we ushered this legislation through both the House and the Senate," said **Representative Hannah E. Kane (R-Shrewsbury)**. "The Nathan Fisher House is currently in the process of an operational transformation that maintains the rich history and beauty of the home. Once complete, the property will offer a number of amenities appealing to a variety of residents, while promoting job growth and re-development of historical properties. I look forward to visiting the center upon its completion."

"I am always happy to work with town officials and my colleagues in the Westborough delegation to support economic development in our community," **Representative Carolyn Dykema (D-Holliston)** said. "This bill's enactment is just one example of the many ways we can work together on the state and local level to encourage growth and attract business in our town."

"I am thrilled with the successful passage of this legislation, as it will continue to support job creation and business development within the community," said **Representative Danielle Gregoire (D-Marlborough)**.

"More than ever, economic competitiveness depends on the growth of areas that connect people, in one form or another, with dynamic restaurants and high quality services," said **Senator James Eldridge (D-Acton)**. "I am pleased to be able to work with town officials and my legislative partners to advocate for economic development by passing this liquor license into law. In order to unlock our potential for growth, we must continue to preserve the character of historical sites like the Nathan Fisher House while enabling business owners to better serve the evolving needs of their patrons."

Upon being signed by the Governor, this law took effect immediately.

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