

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be conducted by the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (the “Issuer”) at 2:00 p.m., on Monday, November 10, 2025, via the following toll-free telephonic conference line:

Dial In: 1-888-305-1655
Participant Code: 309639

The purpose of the hearing will be to consider the proposal of Old Dartmouth Historical Society (d/b/a New Bedford Whaling Museum) (together with its affiliates, the “Borrower”) that the Issuer issue qualified 501(c)(3) bonds (as defined in Section 145 of the Internal Revenue Code), in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$20,000,000, to finance certain cultural and educational facilities to be owned and operated by the Borrower located at 11 William Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts, or adjacent or proximate sites. The new projects expected to be financed include, but are not limited to: (i) the design, construction, improvement, equipping and furnishing of a two-story exhibition and welcome center, including site work; and (ii) demolition of the existing structure located thereon.

The bonds proposed to be issued by the Issuer will not constitute a general obligation of the Issuer or a debt or pledge of the faith and credit of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Interested persons wishing to express their views on the projects and the proposed issuance of qualified 501(c)(3) bonds to finance the projects will be given the opportunity to do so at the public hearing or may, prior to the time of the public hearing, submit their views in writing to the Issuer at 99 High Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. Persons desiring to speak during the telephonic public hearing must make a written request at least 24 hours prior to the hearing by email to tefrahearinginfo@MassDevelopment.com or by mail to MassDevelopment, 99 High Street, Boston, MA 02110, Attn: TEFRA Hearings.

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