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**Beth Casavant of Shrewsbury named
a 2021 Commonwealth Heroine**

*Nominated by Representative Kane, Beth Casavant honored by the Massachusetts
Commission on the Status of Women*

Beth Casavant of Shrewsbury has been selected as a member of the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women's 2021 class of Commonwealth Heroines. Representative Kane (R – Shrewsbury) recommended Beth for this recognition because of her significant community contributions in Shrewsbury. Beth will be honored with the other Commonwealth Heroines in a virtual event on June 23, 2021 from 12pm-1pm. The Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women will stream the event live on their [Facebook page](#).

Beth has worked tirelessly to make the community stronger ever since she and her family moved to Shrewsbury in 2008. A truly selfless and humble volunteer, Beth has successfully led enormous, community-wide efforts to pass Shrewsbury's first operational override and was instrumental in efforts to build new schools and a police station. Beth is currently serving her second term as a Selectman, as director of an annual charity golf tournament to raise funds for three local non-profit human service organizations and is an active member of the Shrewsbury Rotary Club. Dedicated to public education and a former teacher herself, Beth spent years serving as a PTO President at three Shrewsbury schools and as a member of the host committee for the annual "Garden Party" fundraiser. Beth is also a Trustee for Seven Hills Foundation and for Framingham State University.

"Beth has shown us over many years a genuine commitment to improving the lives of those in our community and beyond. She does all of this while raising two daughters, illustrating the life lesson she learned from her parents and one we should all live by: joyfully giving one's time and talent pays dividends to the communities you call home," remarked Representative Kane. "What I have always deeply appreciated about Beth is her willingness to step into any role. She excels at leading critical community efforts and yet she is willing to do any task (though she does loathe picking up balloons) that contributes to the success of the initiative or event. No matter what she does, Beth constantly exhibits the true meaning of community service."

"I am grateful for this recognition and to Representative Kane, whose own involvement in the community serves as an inspiration to myself and others. I have worked alongside so many

talented women who also prioritize volunteerism, while balancing the demands of family and career, and the friendships I have made along the way are the greatest reward," said Beth.

Commonwealth Heroines are women who don't make the news but make the difference. Thousands of women in every community of the state perform unheralded acts on a daily basis that make our homes, neighborhoods, cities, and towns better places to live. Commonwealth Heroines use their time, talent, spirit, and enthusiasm to enrich the lives of others in their community. They are mentors, volunteers, and innovators who strive to protect and represent the interests of seniors, victims of violence, children, immigrants, and other vulnerable populations. They are the glue that keeps a community together.

The Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women is an independent state agency that was created legislatively in 1998 to advance women of the Commonwealth to full equality in all areas of life and promote their rights and opportunities. The MCSW provides an established and institutional voice for the women of Massachusetts.

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