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Women's Rights History Trail Task Force Invites Public to Suggest Sites for the Massachusetts Trail

Rep. Kane to host Listening Session at the Shrewsbury Public Library on October 3rd

Boston – The Women's Rights History Trail Task Force will be holding a public listening session in our region on October 3rd at the Shrewsbury Public Library to hear recommendations for sites for the proposed cross-commonwealth Trail.

The upcoming schedule is in addition to an in-person and virtual session scheduled for the State House on October 5 from 1pm to 3pm. No advance registration is required to attend.

DATES AND TIMES:

Tuesday, September 19th from 5pm to 7pm, at the Adams Theater (https://www.adamstheater.org/), 27 Park St, Adams, MA 01220

Thursday, September 21st from 5pm to 7pm at Marlborough High School in the 3rd Floor Lecture Hall, 431 Bolton St, Marlborough, MA 01752

Tuesday, October 3rd from 3pm to 5pm at the Shrewsbury Public Library in the Library Meeting Room, 609 Main St, Shrewsbury

Thursday, October 5th starting from 1pm to 3pm at the Massachusetts State House – Hearing Room B-1, 24 Beacon St, Boston

The Women's Rights History Trail Task Force was established in 2022 by the Massachusetts Legislature to create a trail celebrating the fight for women's rights and suffrage in the commonwealth.

Representative Hannah Kane (R – Shrewsbury) co-filed the bill that established the Women's Rights History Trail program and created the Task Force in 2022, along with Representative Danielle Gregoire (D – Marlborough) and former Representative Carolyn Dykema (D – Holliston). Representative Kane is also a Task Force member and co-chair of the Massachusetts Caucus of Women Legislators, which prioritized the establishment of the Women's Rights History Trail in the previous legislative session. The listening sessions give the public an opportunity to participate in the process by identifying potential sites. The Task Force will submit a list of recommended sites to the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism.

"The Women's Rights History Trail will highlight the important contributions women have made to the Commonwealth and to the U.S.," Representative Kane said. "Recognizing women's accomplishments will help preserve Massachusetts history, educate the public, and promote tourism throughout the state. I am hosting the listening session at the Shrewsbury Public Library, and look forward to reviewing suggestions for sites for the trail."

In making recommendations, suggested sites should:

□ suffrag	be historically and thematically associated with the fight for women's rights and women's e, including the contributions of women veterans; and
	commemorate individuals who reflect racial, ethnic, cultural and economic diversity.
The public can also submit recommendations electronically at this link: https://tinyurl.com/WRHT-submission	

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