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Mr. Daniel J. Dunn, Chair, Board of Selectmen Town of Arlington 730 Mass Ave Arlington, MA 02476

RE: Invitation to Breakfast Kick-Off for the next Regional Plan

Dear Mr. Dunn,

On Wednesday, January 23, 2019, MAPC will hold a breakfast meeting in Somerville for local elected officials, appointed officials and municipal staff. We invite you to attend as well as representatives from relevant Boards or Commissions. Our aim is to begin discussions with you and your peers about the future of our region, and to solicit your insight about shared opportunities and challenges.

The occasion for this event is the launch of Greater Boston's next regional plan, MetroCommon 2050. Over the course of developing the plan, we at MAPC will engage officials at all levels, representatives of the private and non-profit sectors, and thousands of Boston area residents. Local leaders will be key to helping ensure the ultimate plan is right for the region.

Details: Wednesday, January 23, 2019 9am-11am

Southern Kin Cookhouse

500 Assembly Row, Somerville, MA 02145

(Snow Date: February 6)

RSVP: Emily Torres-Cullinane, Assistant Director of Strategic Initiatives, etorres@mapc.org

The focus of this meeting will be hearing from you, as a first step in creating a shared vision for the future of the region. During later phases of the MetroCommon process, we will dig into issues such as mobility, housing, and climate change, and explore the policies and actions we'll need to implement to reach our goals.

We hope that you can join us: we so seldom have the opportunity to go beyond the day-to-day, and to think about where we're headed in 2030 or 2050. We look forward to working with you to create MetroCommon, and we look forward to shaping our region together.

Sincerely,

Marc D. Draisen
Executive Director