

EPA Secretary Beaton Recognized as 2018 Boston Harbor Hero Save the Harbor/Save the Bay recognized Secretary Beaton of Shrewsbury at the annual Destination Boston Harbor gala



Save the Harbor/Save the Bay honors 2018's Boston Harbor Heroes at their annual fundraising gala, Destination Boston Harbor. (Back row left to right): Jeffrey Bellows, Dusty Rhodes, Dan Sieger, David Giangrande, Oscar Mertz, James Jensen, Michael J. Hornbrook, Ann McQueen, Joe Newman, Bruce Berman. (Middle row left to right): Maxwilliams Iwuala, Christina Lanzl. (Front row left to right): Patty Foley, Beverly Wing, Marion Pressley, Kristen McCormack, Michael Tyrrell. Photo by Mike Colón.

On Thursday, March 29th, 400 corporate and civic leaders, elected officials, and community partners gathered at the Seaport Hotel to celebrate and honor this year's Boston Harbor Heroes at the annual Destination Boston Harbor gala.

Each year, Save the Harbor recognizes men and women as Boston Harbor Heroes for their commitment to STH's mission, the community, and the harbor. Save the Harbor's Board Chair and National Grid's Vice President of Government Affairs for Massachusetts, Joseph Newman, thanked the guests and introduced this year's heroes, who included EEA Secretary Matthew Beaton, of Shrewsbury. "Save the Harbor/Save the Bay is proud to recognize EEA Secretary Matthew A. Beaton as a Boston Harbor Hero for his leadership and continued commitment to clean water in the Commonwealth, and to thank the Baker/Polito Administration for their support for the Boston Harbor region's great public beaches from Nahant to Nantasket."

In addition to Beaton, Newman recognized nine other Boston Harbor Heroes:

- Jeffrey Bellows - Vice President of Corporate Responsibility, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts

- Kristen J. McCormack - William E. Schrafft & Bertha E. Schrafft Charitable Trust
- Maxwilliams Iwuala - 2017 Senior Harbor Educator, Save the Harbor/Save the Bay
- James Jensen - General Manager, Blue Hills Bank Pavilion/LiveNation; Board Member, Save the Harbor/Save the Bay
- Dusty Rhodes - President, Conventures Inc.; Chair, Sail Boston
- Michael Tyrrell and The South Bay Harbor Trail Coalition
- Beverly Wing - The Chinatown Coalition; Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center Advisory Board
- William Pressley (1940-2018) - President and Founder of Pressley Associates, Landscape Architects
- Howard Elkus (1938-2017) FAIA, RIBA, LEED AP - Founding Principal, Elkus Manfredi Architects

You can find a complete list of the 2018 Destination Boston Harbor Donors and Sponsors here: <http://blog.savetheharbor.org/p/our-funders.html>

Boston Harbor Heroes

The Honorable Matthew A. Beaton
Secretary, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs

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About Save the Harbor/Save the Bay

As the region's leading voice for clean water and continued public investment in Boston Harbor, the region's public beaches, and the Boston Harbor Islands, Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's mission is to restore and protect Boston Harbor, Massachusetts Bay and the marine environment and share them with the public for everyone to enjoy.

For more information about Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the work they do, please visit their website at www.savetheharbor.org, their blog "Sea, Sand & Sky" at blog.savetheharbor.org, or follow savetheharbor on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.