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CITY OF METHUEN LAUNCHES HISTORIC WALKING TOUR

“Methuen Walks” brochure funded by Massachusetts Historical Commission Grant

August 20, 2008 (Methuen, MA) ... Methuen residents and visitors can combine a leisurely stroll through downtown Methuen with a dose of fascinating history by picking up the City's new walking tour brochure. “Methuen Walks” includes two tours – a Mill Walk that focuses on Methuen's industrial history, and a Millionaire's Walk that follows the footsteps of the City's three famous millionaires. The brochure was designed to appeal to a broad range of participants, from avid history and architecture fans to students learning about their city for the first time. Mayor William M. Manzi, III thanked the Massachusetts Historical Commission for the grant and encouraged citizens to take the tours. “Brochures are free and can be picked up at City Hall, the Nevins Memorial Library, and the Methuen Historical Society,” Manzi added. They are also available through local schools and businesses.

The brochure was produced with a matching grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC). The grant was awarded under the Massachusetts Historical Commission's Survey and Planning Program, whose goal is to identify all the significant cultural resources in the Commonwealth –buildings, structures, sites, and landscapes – and plan for their protection. The walking tour brochure was financed in part with federal funds from the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, through the Massachusetts Historical Commission, Secretary of the Commonwealth William Francis Galvin, Chairman.

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