



MAYFLOWER SAILS 2020



Mayflower Sails 2020 To Be Postponed

Boston (March 16, 2020) – In light of the current public health crisis related to COVID-19, recent guidance issued by Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker’s office regarding public gatherings and recommendations by the CDC, Mayflower Sails 2020 is being postponed. The original event had been scheduled to take place May 14 through May 19 in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

Like many large public events during this challenging time, the organizers of Mayflower Sails 2020 are in uncharted territory and will take time to determine the appropriate course of action that is in the best interest of the health, safety and well-being of the public.

“We are grateful to our partners for their immediate willingness to accommodate these difficult circumstances. The story of the *Mayflower* and her passengers is one of incredible persistence and determination. These attributes live on in Massachusetts today and will serve us well as we face this challenge together,” said Stephen Brodeur, Mayflower Sails 2020 Chair and Founding Sponsor. “Safety is our top priority. Once this rapidly evolving situation stabilizes, we look forward to inviting the public to experience this iconic ship and the many stories it represents.”

For anyone who has reserved free tickets to the event, Mayflower Sails 2020 asks that you hold onto them. The organization will update ticketholders and the public via email and its website (www.MayflowerSails2020.com) as soon as possible with new information.

In the coming weeks, Plimoth Plantation and Mayflower Sails 2020 will release details of *Mayflower II*’s movements. Currently the ship is slated to arrive home to Plymouth Harbor on May 21, 2020. Visit www.plimoth.org for updates as they become available.

About Mayflower Sails 2020

Mayflower Sails 2020, LLC, is a single-member limited liability company wholly owned by Plimoth Plantation, a private, 501(c)(3) not-for-profit educational institution of which *Mayflower* is a major exhibit. Through powerful personal experiences, Plimoth Plantation tells the stories of the Wampanoag people and the English colonists who created a new society – in collaboration and conflict – in the 1600s. The Mayflower Sails 2020 team brings decades of experience in fundraising, marketing and business acumen with a deep passion for history, nonprofits, and the great Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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