

**FEDERATION OF HELLENIC AMERICAN SOCIETIES OF NEW ENGLAND**  
**PARADE PARTICIPATION FORM - GREEK PARADE OF BOSTON, SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024**



Application date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTICIPATION FEE: \$200.00**

**DEADLINE FOR THE DRAWING OF PARADE ORDER: MARCH 26, 2024, 7:30pm**

**If your application is received after March 26, 2024 your group will march at the end of the parade.**

Parish / Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person in charge: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTENTION. FOR SAFETY REASONS, THE PERSON(S) IN CHARGE OF YOUR GROUP MUST BE PRESENT AT THE LAST COMMUNITY MEETING ON TUESDAY MARCH 26, 2024, 7:30pm at MALIOTIS CULTURAL CENTER, 50 GODDARD AVE, BROOKLINE, MA. If the person in charge of your group is not present at this last community meeting your group may not be allowed to march.**

Marching Unit & Number of Personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Remarks (Float/Title/Description): \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be carrying banner(s) Yes \_\_\_ No: \_\_\_ If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

- Please submit a picture or exact draft of your banner or banners.
- **YOU SHOULD GET THE APPROVAL OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FIRST, FOR ALL BANNERS & SIGNS. THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE SIGNS AND BANNERS IF NEEDED. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. PLEASE FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS.**

- Will you be marching in ethnic costumes? Yes \_\_\_ No: \_\_\_ If yes, how many? \_\_\_
- Will the officers be marching? Yes: \_\_\_ No: \_\_\_ If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
- Will there be an organized group marching? Yes \_\_\_ No: \_\_\_ If yes, description of attire: \_\_\_\_\_

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- Will there be a float? Yes \_\_\_ No: \_\_\_ If yes, size: \_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_

Theme of the float and description: \_\_\_\_\_

- Will there be music available? Yes \_\_\_ No: \_\_\_

**PLEASE:** Dress up properly. We suggest blue and white colors. **No pets.**

Complete this form and make a copy. Send the original with a check of \$200.00 to: **FHASNE, P.O. Box 2393, Woburn, MA 01888 no later than March 22, 2024, or bring it at the last Community Meeting on Tuesday, March 26, 2024. DO NOT FORGET TO SUBMIT PICTURE(S) OF YOUR BANNER(S).**

**This is a community effort. WE NEED 1-2 VOLUNTEERS FROM EVERY PARTICIPATING GROUP.**

Let us know ASAP the name or names of volunteer(s) to help us.

President: Vasilios "Bill" Kafkas, e-mail: [yaskafka@aol.com](mailto:yaskafka@aol.com) telephone: (978-835-1455) or

Vice President: George Panagiotopoulos, e-mail: [magiopan69@gmail.com](mailto:magiopan69@gmail.com) telephone: (508-284-3504).

**Groups that miss the deadline may still march at the end of the parade with the approval of the President of the Federation: Vasilios "Bill" Kafkas: 978-835-1455.**

**DO NOT WRITE IN HERE.** Application Received on: \_\_\_\_\_

**VERY IMPORTANT: PLEASE WRITE ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE UP TO 3 SHORT PARAGRAPHS ABOUT YOUR ORGANIZATION FOR THE PARADE ANNOUNCERS. -->**

**We are volunteers and we need your help to be more organized. PLEASE HELP US.**

**PLEASE WRITE A FEW WORDS ABOUT YOUR PARISH/COMMUNITY, SOCIETY, GROUP...**

Like: History, current and future goals, other...

**We need this for the announcers of the parade (during the parade)**

**Please make it simple.**

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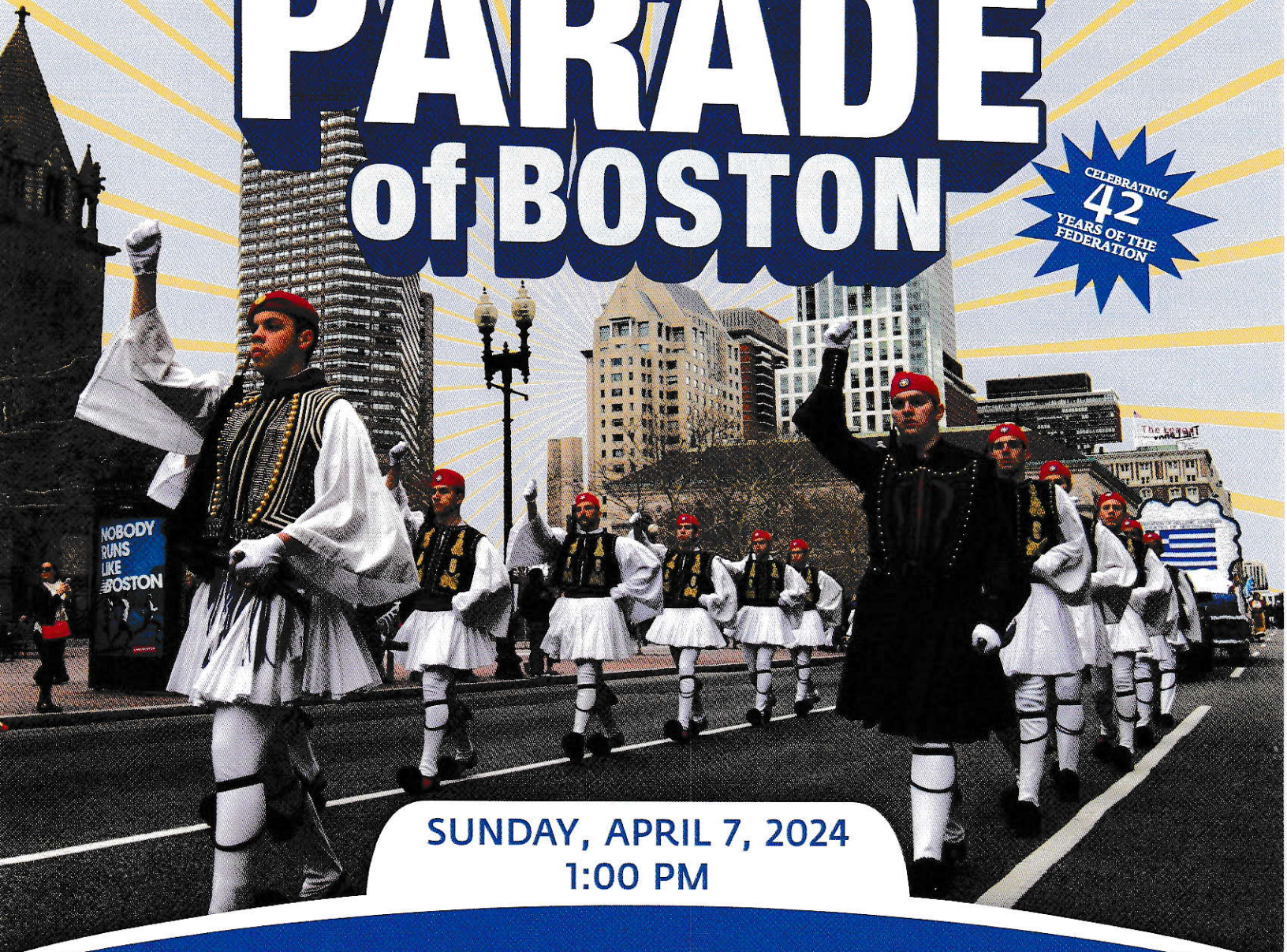
3.

This will be given to the parade announcers to make an announcement when your group is passing in front of the dignitaries' stage during the parade. We would try to have a DVD available of the parade on a later day.

COMMEMORATING MARCH 25, 1821

28th Annual  
GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY  
**PARADE**  
of BOSTON

CELEBRATING  
**42**  
YEARS OF THE  
FEDERATION



SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024  
1:00 PM

BOYLSTON STREET TO CHARLES STREET  
CELEBRATION WITH GREEK MUSIC, DANCING AND FOOD AT THE  
BOSTON COMMON IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE

Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> Dinner Gala: Reception 6:30 pm | Dinner 7:30 pm

Ithaki Restaurant/Holiday Inn, 1A Newbury Street, Peabody, MA 01960



Presented by the Federation of Hellenic-American Societies of New England with the support of the Mayor's Office of Special Events and Tourism, in cooperation with The Greek Metropolis of Boston & The Consulate General of Greece in Boston.

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February 12, 2024

**Dear Friends,**

**THE 28th GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE OF BOSTON will take place on Sunday, April 7, 2024, starting at 1:00 P.M., from Boylston Street to Charles Street.**

The board members of the Federation of Hellenic-American Societies of New England welcome all the churches, enlisted societies, universities, and colleges in the region to participate in this historic parade. Scholarship applications and the Annual Dinner Gala tickets and updates will be available at the following meetings:

**\*Tuesday, February 27, 2024, 7:00 P.M., COMMUNITY MEETING at the Maliotis Cultural Center, Hellenic College, 50 Goddard Avenue, Brookline, MA.**

**\*Tuesday, March 26, 2024, 7:00 P.M., FINAL COMMUNITY MEETING at the Maliotis Cultural Center, Hellenic College, 50 Goddard Avenue, Brookline, MA. Please make every effort to attend. We value your participation and support.**

#### **Special Events**

**\*Friday, April 5, 2024, at 1:00 P.M., COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROCLAMATION RECEPTION AND CEREMONY DECLARING MARCH 25, 2024, GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY at the Massachusetts State House.** The reception will take place first in the Senate Reading Room, and the Greek Independence Day Program will follow inside the Senate Chambers at 2:00 P.M. Due to limited capacity, you must reserve your seat by email to [vaskafka@aol.com](mailto:vaskafka@aol.com) or telephone (978) 835-1455 by March 26.

**\*Saturday, April 6, 2024, at 6:30 P.M., ANNUAL DINNER GALA AT HOLIDAY INN, 1 Newbury Street, Peabody, MA. (catering provided by ITHAKI Mediterranean Restaurant).** Reserve your tickets by March 26, 2024.

**\*Sunday, April 7, 2024, 10:00 A.M., DIVINE LITURGY AND DOXOLOGY at ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF NEW ENGLAND, 514 Parker Street, Boston, MA.**

**11:30 A.M., RECEPTION AT DAVIS HALL at the Cathedral**

**1:00 P.M., 28TH GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE OF BOSTON (from Boylston Street to Charles Street).**

**WE WILL HOLD A CELEBRATION OF GREEK MUSIC AND DANCING ON THE BOSTON COMMON IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE.** The New England Evzones and local Greek dance troupes will perform dances from all over Greece. Please be there to congratulate, support and encourage our children and young adults. The younger generation will promote and carry our Hellenic ideals forward. This is our goal.

***For reservations and questions about the Dinner Gala or The Parade, please call George Panagiotopoulos, Vice President, (508) 284-3504.***

**Herein we enclose some posters and the application for your parade participation. Please send your completed application as soon as possible to FHASNE, PO Box 2393, Woburn, MA. 01888.**

The Federation needs your help and participation. We hope that two to three representatives from every community and society will come to these very important meetings to plan with us.

**Let's make the 28TH GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE of BOSTON the best ever!**

With sincere thanks,

Vasilios "Bill" Kafkas  
FHASNE President

Martha Orphanos Panagiotopoulos  
FHASNE General Secretary