

May 15, 2008

Dear Business Owner:

The annual Greater New Bedford Summerfest is taking place the weekend of Jul 4, 5, and 6th. It begins with a concert on Friday night with the gate opening in Custom House Square parking lot at 6:00 p.m. and continues on both Saturday and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. SUMMERFEST is located throughout the Historic District downtown. As a result, there will be some street closings happening during the festival. We wanted to inform you of these street closings ahead of time in order to reduce any major inconveniences you may experience due to an inability to advance plan.

Closure of the following streets for Summerfest will begin at **5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 4th through 11:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 6th**. The streets to be closed are as follows:

- **Barkers Lane**
- **Acushnet Avenue (from Elm to Union)**
- **William Street** (from Water St. to Purchase St.)
- **Centre Street/Hamilton St. /Rodman St.**
- **Water Street** (from Elm St. to Union St.)
- **Johnny Cake Hill**
- **Bethel Street** (from Elm St. to William St.)
- **South Second Street** (from Union St. to William St.)
- **Second Street** (from William St. to Elm St.)

Two additional closures of parking lots are:

- **Custom House Square lot**
 - Closed from 6:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 2nd through 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 7th
- **Lot on corner of Union St. & Water St. –Kruger Brothers**
 - Closed from 6:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 3th through 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 7th

Please feel free to contact me at the GNB Summerfest Office with any questions. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Diane Nichols, GNB Summerfest Manager