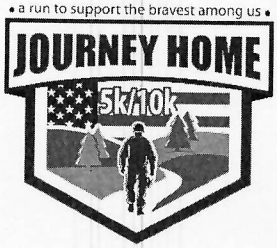

Clear Path
FOR VETERANS
NEW ENGLAND
Supporting the Journey HOME

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great excitement that we request the permission to host the 7th annual "Journey Home 5K/10k" Road Race in Devens, Massachusetts this November 10, 2024. This event will involve a 5k run/walk and 10k run on the roadways and walkways within the attached course map. **Our previous events were a great success, and out of respect for your time, please note that there is no change to our footprint or plan involving the public roadway for this year's event.**

We submit this information to you on behalf of the charitable organization we are supporting in this effort, Clear Path for Veterans, New England. As you might be aware, Clear Path for Veterans supports wellness-based programing through a Veteran's Community Center to bolster those who served, with particular emphasis on reconnecting Veterans to their communities upon their return home.

Clear Path for Veterans, New England has yet again enlisted the support of our organization, True North Running Company, in the logistical operations of the run itself.

Again we present to you the attached route, which from our perspective has the least impact on traffic patterns and will serve as the best experience for the runners. We fully understand that small adjustments might be necessary depending on the ownership and managing authorities of various roads/walkways, etc. I will directly be in charge of any course-related adjustments, so if changes need to be made before permissions are granted, please contact me directly at 508-269-2586 or at Jason@runtruenorth.com. We will submit updated requests immediately upon making any necessary adjustments, if need be.

Permissions, as they are issued, should be granted to the organization itself, Clear Path for Veterans, New England (on behalf of their Vice President, Mrs. Donna Bulger).

Please let this letter serve as an official request for permission from Devens, Massachusetts. Our intent is to also serve up to two beers to each participant, as included in their event entry fee. Therefore, let this letter also serve as an official request for the one-day alcohol permit as well as permission for the race itself on public roadway.

Thank you in advance for your support of this event and its cause. We are very excited to bring back this wonderful event.

Sincerely,

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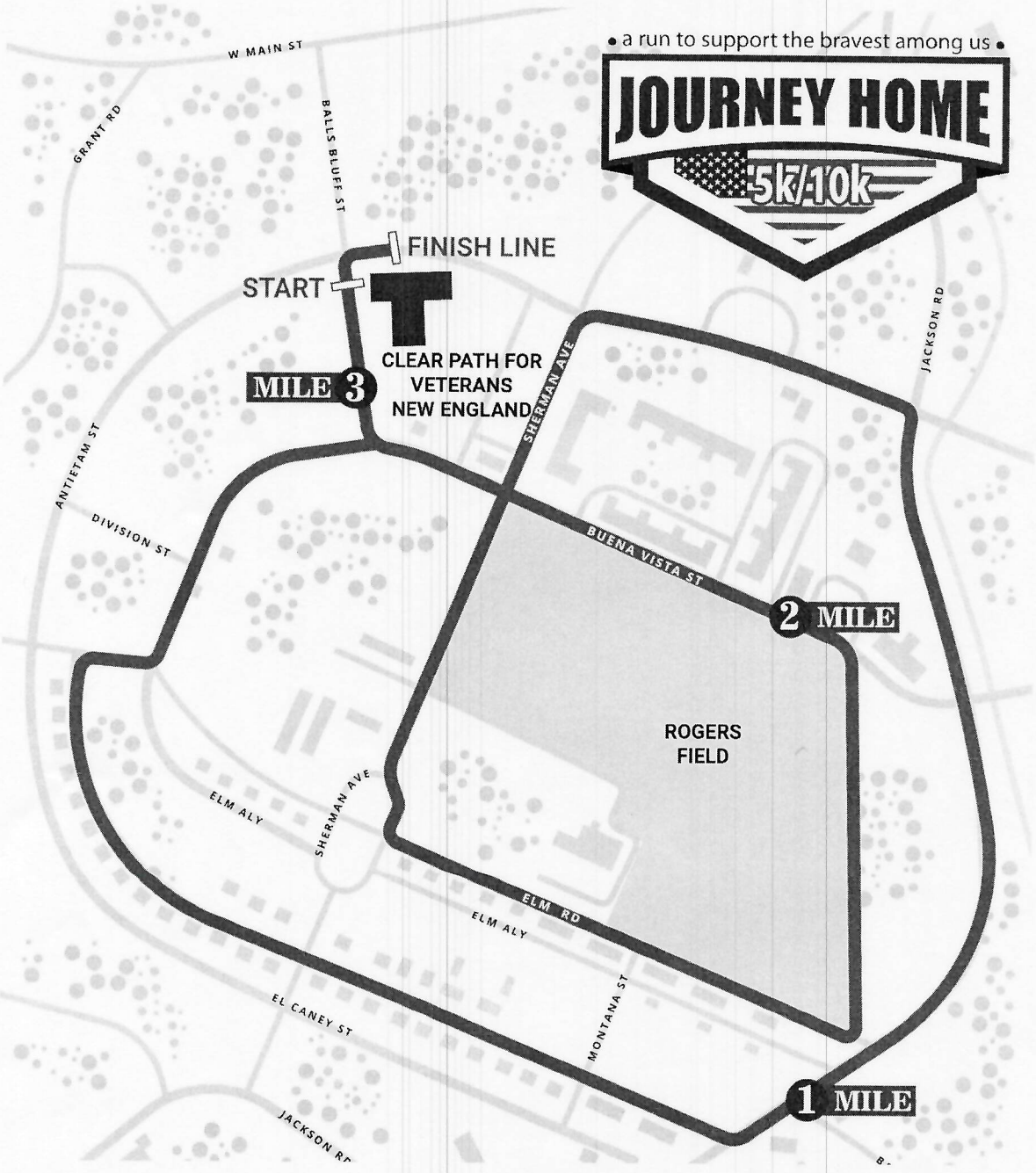

The course starts next to the Clear Path for Veterans, New England headquarters building, located at the top of Antietam Street. The starting line itself will be on Balls Bluff Street, with runners facing southbound towards Buena Vista Street.

At race start, runners run southward towards Balls Bluff Street.

Runners take first right onto Buena Vista Street.

Right onto Chance Street.

Quick left onto Walnut Street.

At end of Walnut Street, left onto Jackson Road.

Left onto Antietam Street.

Left onto Sherman Avenue.

Left onto Buena Vista Street.

Right onto the walkway that crosses the edge of Rogers Field, in close proximity to Jackson Road.

As walkway nears its end, Right onto Elm Road.

Right onto Sherman Avenue.

Left onto Buena Vista Street.

Right onto Sallas Bluff Street.

Right onto Antietam Street.

Runners finish on Antietam Street, in front of the new Clear Path for Veterans, New England headquarters building, located at the top of Antietam Street.

- The course is 3.1 miles long (or 5K) and will have one aid station, tentatively planned for the 1.55 mile mark on Antietam Street. 10k runners will simply turn around at the start and head back out onto the course again for the remaining 3.1 miles (5k).
- We will be working with local first-responders and military in an effort to have representatives from various branches on the course, supporting the runners.
- Course will be managed and marked with non-permanent signage, arrows and cones.

Coverage will be used at the following locations:

1) Lead motorcycle or bicycle, leading runners through the course and clearing/slowing traffic.
2) Intersection of Walnut Street and Sherman Avenue, providing safe crossing as runners cross Sherman to continue on Walnut towards Jackson Road.
3) Intersection of Jackson Road and Antietam Street, slowing traffic coming southbound on Jackson Road, as they encounter runners running northbound for the first time. Runners will be on the "left", in the southbound lane, running against traffic as they prepare for taking a left onto Antietam Street.