## MIMO's Annual Community Christmas Caroling (and Cocoa) at the Common, Dec. 15

On Saturday December 15, 2018 at 6:00PM, MIMO joins Cocoa at the Common for annual community Christmas caroling. Carolers will meet at the southeast corner of Clasky Common Park. Lyrics, candles, and cocoa will be provided. No singing experience is necessary — all are welcome to join in harmony on this one magical night.

Over the past six years, 20-30 strangers from the Greater New Bedford area have met to go caroling around Buttonwood Park. Traditionally, carolers, young and old, knock on doors and greet residents with classic Christmas songs and holiday treats.

"Each year I am overcome with emotion by all the families who come together," says MIMO organizer, Cynthia Roy. "Many of us are not professional singers. We just grab lyric books and put love into it."

This year, MIMO is doing something a little different. Instead of caroling around Buttonwood Park, carolers will spread cheer at Clasky Common — singing amongst the holiday lights and knocking on nearby doors.

Roy changed the location when Devin Byrnes, owner of Destination Soups in downtown New Bedford, approached her with the idea. The business owner serves free hot chocolate at the Common beginning with the annual holiday lighting and continuing every Saturday up until the New Year. Byrnes intends to take the Clasky Common holiday light display "to the next level as a family friendly holiday destination." The idea is to "collaborate with other community building individuals to expand the overall participation around the

holiday display." Roy is is excited about the change in scenery. "There are so many beautiful historic homes around the Common and the backdrop of the twinkling lights will certainly add to the magic of the night."

For more information about community caroling at Clasky Common and to RSVP, please visit MIMO on Facebook (MIMO of New Bedford) or Instagram (mindfulmomsofNB) or call Cynthia at (508) 858-1897.

MIMO (Mindful Moms) is a local group of like minded moms who feel strongly about parenting mindfully, taking responsibility for the health of our planet, and building a vibrant, loving community. MIMO organizes play groups, volunteer work, and family oriented community events in the New Bedford area.