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## Beer brewed exclusively for Quincy to launch Friday

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QUINCY — A Braintree brewery is releasing a special beer, only to be distributed in Quincy.

Widowmaker Brewing decided to release the brew, City of Presidents American Pale Ale, as a way to support and thank the community that has supported the brewery since it opened last year. It is the first craft beer brewed for exclusive distribution in Quincy.

“It’s a local beer made for local people. We’re not in Quincy, but we’re 100 yards from the town line,” said Head Brewer Ryan Lavery, “We want people to know that when you’re going into a bar in Quincy Center that we’re all supporting each other. We wanted to give back to the community of people who have supported us since we launched a year ago.”

The inspiration for the beer came from a friend of the brewery, Kerry Byrne.

“Mr. Quincy,” as Lavery calls Byrne, “worships” the city and has been supporting Widowmaker since he first heard they were opening and looking for a home in the Quincy area.

“He helped us get into contact with the right people,” Lavery said, “He approached us to do a beer as part of the new rebranding of Quincy Center. Since there’s no brewery in Quincy, he wanted to have a beer that represented Quincy.”

What came out of Byrne’s idea is a New England-style pale ale, which Lavery said is perfect to enjoy “after a hard day’s work, when you can go to one of the bars in Quincy Center and get one of the most local beers.”

Sold in 16-ounce cans, the beer's label was designed by Quincy artist Jacob Calloway and features Braintree natives John Adams, John Quincy Adams and John Hancock in front of the Church of the Presidents.

The beer will be available at bars and restaurants in Quincy Center beginning Friday.



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