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## ***The Mount Washington Summit Road Company Announces The Return Of The Glen House Hotel***

**January 24, 2017. Pinkham Notch, NH**—Half a century since the last Glen House stood on this site, the family-owned Mount Washington Summit Road Company (MWSRC) which has owned and operated the Mt. Washington Auto Road since 1906, intends to have the fifth iteration of the hotel open by May 2018 (high-resolution rendering available [here](#)).

The 68-room hotel will be built on the west side of Route 16 in Green's Grant on a site owned by the MWSRC and will feature a pool, meeting room and restaurant. Half of the rooms will have balconies facing the Northern Presidential mountains and the Carter Moriah range. Aesthetically, the hotel will be built in classic New England vernacular, with clapboards, painted trim and signature chimneys, similar to the previous four Glen Houses that have stood on this site since 1852. The design of the guestrooms is reflective of the simplicity of Shaker design while the public spaces embrace both the history of the Mt. Washington Auto Road and local Native American roots.

In line with the environmental stewardship of the MWSRC, the Glen House will be highly energy efficient and close to carbon neutral. The company has proven to be a leader in applying innovative, green-energy practices to all aspects of its business, and the new Glen House will be no exception. A state-of-the-art geothermal system will provide heating and cooling for the hotel, and two offsite energy-generating projects will harness hydro and solar power.

The three-story hotel will serve guests visiting the Auto Road and taking advantage of the winter and summer offerings of Great Glen Trails Outdoor Center, which offers hiking, kayaking, mountain biking and many outdoor programs in summer. Winter activities include cross-country skiing on 45 kilometers of classic and skate-groomed trails, snowshoeing, snow tubing and winter tours to treeline on the Mt. Washington SnowCoach.

Partnering with the MWSRC on this historic project is Martini Northern, a construction management company based in Portsmouth, BMA Architects from Amherst, and Stibler Associates, an interior design firm from Bedford, New Hampshire. Management of the Glen House will be provided by Olympia Hotel Management, based in Portland, Maine, which is a leader in developing and managing independent hotel properties that are noteworthy for innovation in green energy.

Scheduled to break ground in the spring of 2017, the Glen House is anticipating an open date prior to Memorial Day 2018.

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*The Mount Washington Summit Road Company was formed in 1859, and completed the road to the summit of Mount Washington in 1861. The honor of driving the first horse-drawn vehicle to the summit went to Col. Joseph Thompson, then proprietor of the original Glen House. The first motorized ascent was by Freelan O. Stanley, of Stanley Steamer fame, in 1899, with the first gasoline powered car reaching the summit in 1902. The Mt. Washington Carriage Road, now called the Mt. Washington Auto Road, has the long-held distinction of being America's oldest man-made attraction.*

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