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Statement and Metro's Obituary on the Passing of Arthur Winston

Media Relations received numerous calls today regarding the passing of Arthur Winston. Staff provided reporters with background information regarding Arthur Winston's employment with Metro and his years of dedication to transit. Media Relations also issued a statement on my behalf noting Arthur as a true Metro icon, a true inspiration, dedicated to his work and loyal to this agency. The statement noted that his longevity, commitment and work ethic will continue to inspire use for years to come. He set a standard that will never be duplicated. My statement, Mr. Winton's family statement and Metro's obituary on the passing of Arthur Winston are available on Metro.net:

http://www.metro.net/press/2006/04_april/metro.htm

Transit Concepts Inc. Union Issue Update

In the most recent update on the Transportation Concepts Inc (TCI) labor issue, we informed you that a number of drivers from TCI had walked out to join the Teamsters picket line on March 14, 2006. The Teamsters had been picketing TCI since its new contract began on August 1, 2005. Based on the fact that the Teamsters seemed to be representing the non-represented TCI drivers who had walked out, TCI filed an Unfair Labor Practice Charge with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) on March 15th. On the following Monday, the Teamsters called for a vote to represent the TCI drivers because they had collected a sufficient number of interest cards.

The vote was conducted last Friday (April 7th) under the supervision of the NLRB. 51 of the TCI drivers voted not to be represented and 32 drivers voted for representation. Based on this vote, the Teamsters ceased picketing the TCI facility on April 7th. TCI has lost 14 of its drivers who had been picketing and no longer wished to return to TCI. Even with the loss of these drivers, TCI is meeting its service obligation. The Teamsters have until April 14th to protest the vote, but no protest has been received to date.

Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events

Next week, I will be meeting separately with: Supervisor Gloria Molina; Supervisor Don Knabe; Director Bonnie Lowenthal; and Assemblymember Karen Bass. I will also attend the Central City Association Reception for Gail Goldberg.

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