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MEDIA ADVISORY

MTA HONORS SOUTH GATE BUSINESSMAN WITH 'ADOPT-A-BUS-STOP' COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

WHAT: John P. (Papa) Maloney, owner of Maloney Meats in South Gate, will be honored by the MTA with an engraved plaque for his exemplary service to the community and for having inspired the idea for the 'adopt-a-bus-stop' program. By his own initiative, Maloney has kept the bus stop in front of his business clean and graffiti-free for the last two years. He installed a video camera to monitor street activity and would regularly inform the MTA of any vandalism. Thanks to Maloney's calls, the MTA's crews were able to consistently mitigate damage to the area. In recognition, the MTA will dedicate a new bus stop which reads "*This bus stop has been adopted by Maloney Meats*". The event will take place at the conclusion of South Gate's annual 'City-Wide Clean-Up And Paint-Out Day.' MTA is the primary sponsor.

WHEN: Saturday, August 16, 1997
11:30 a.m.

WHERE: South Gate High School
33551 Firestone Blvd. near State St.
South Gate

WHO: Ellen Levine, MTA Executive Officer of Operations
Dan Ibarra, Regional General Manager for Southern Region

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