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HARBOR FREEWAY TRANSITWAY RECEIVES IMPROVED BUS SERVICE

**MTA BOARD APPROVED SERIES OF ROUTE AND SCHEDULE
MODIFICATIONS TO METRO BUS SERVICE, EFFECTIVE JUNE 3**

The MTA Board of Directors today approved a series of route and schedule modifications to the Metro Bus system aimed at improving service and system efficiency.

The action was taken following three separate public hearing held last year in an effort to allow the public ample opportunity to comment on the proposed changes.

Major improvements will be made to serve the Harbor Freeway Transitway. Those improvements include New Lines 52 and 352 (San Pedro Street-Avalon Boulevard-Artesia Transit Center) that will be implemented along Avalon Boulevard with bus service extended to service the Artesia Transit Center.

In addition, Lines 446-447 (LA Carson-Wilmington-San Pedro Express) will be re-routed to service the Artesia Transit Center. Line 445 (LA-San Pedro Express) will continue its service enhancements by operating all day and on the weekends to service the recently opened stations on the Harbor Transitway at Carson Street and Pacific Coast Highway.

Line 40 (Hawthorne Boulevard-LA-Union Station) will be enhanced with a new limited stop service on Line 340. Line 442 (LA-Hawthorne-Express) service will be reduced with additional buses added to Line 340.

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Line 107 (54th Street-Fairview Boulevard-Santa Ana Street) will be rerouted to service the Slauson Metro Blue Line Station and operate over Clara Street previously served by Line 114. Line 114 (Florence Station-Santa Ana Street-Clara Street) will be cancelled.

Service will be increased on Line 401 (Pasadena-Los Angeles Express) from downtown Los Angeles to downtown Pasadena. Line 402 (LA-Pasadena-Park-n-Ride Express) will be cancelled.

To improve efficiency by reducing duplication of services, Lines 436 (LA-Venice Boulevard-Ocean Park Express) and Line 466 (LA-Downey-La Mirada-Park-n-Ride Express) are scheduled to be cancelled effective June 3, 2001.

For Line 436 patrons, alternative service is available by using Line 33 & 333. In addition, other express service and Rapid Bus service (Line 720) is available from Santa Monica to downtown Los Angeles. Metrolink service is also available at the Norwalk/Santa Fe Springs station.

Line 466 patrons can use MTA Line 362 or 460. In addition the Metro Green Line is also nearby and provides connections to the Metro Blue Line for travel to Los Angeles.

All service improvements and changes are scheduled to occur on Sunday, June 3, 2001. For specific route and schedule information call 1-800-C-O-M-M-U-T-E or visit our web site at www.mta.net.

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