Board Motion Would Rename 8 Metro Gold Line Stations

(May 15, 2003) Eight Metro Gold Line stations will have new names if a motion approved, Wednesday, by the Construction Committee is confirmed by the MTA Board at its May 22 meeting.

Acting on a motion by Supervisor Gloria Molina, the committee voted to rename three stations on the Union Station to Pasadena route and five future stations on the Eastside Extension.

On the Pasadena route, the Avenue 26 station would become the Lincoln Heights/Cypress Park station. The French Avenue station would be renamed the Heritage Square/The Arroyo station, while the Avenue 57 station would become the Historic Highland Park station.

On the Eastside, the Alameda station would become the Little Tokyo/Arts District station; the Utah station would be renamed the Pico/Aliso station; the Boyle station would be changed to the Mariachi Plaza station; Ford station would become the Maravilla Station; and the Mednik station would be renamed the East LA Civic Center station.

"These name changes are supported by the residents surrounding the various stations and reflect the unique identity of each neighborhood," Molina's motion says. It notes that several community groups had contacted her office requesting the changes.

The motion also directs MTA staff to work with the Eastside Review Advisory Committee and the cities of Pasadena and South Pasadena on the possible renaming of other stations.

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