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Metro Gold line Operator Luis Diaz returns seven baby turtles left on a Metro Gold Line train to Kevin Hoang, who purchased them in Chinatown.



Well-Traveled Turtles Home After Their Gold Line Adventure

By DUANE MARTIN

(Feb. 3, 2006) Turtles are known for being slow and steady, but last Sunday seven little amphibians went for the ride of their lives on the Metro Gold Line.

Wanting to try out the Gold Line with family and friends, the Hoang family from Fullerton rode the train from Sierra Madre Villa to Chinatown to celebrate the Chinese New Year with a day of shopping.

On their return to Sierra Madre Villa, however, 7-year-old Brandon Hoang accidentally left his new pets on the train. When he realized his mistake and went back to the station, that train had departed taking the seven turtles with it.

But, there was good news. Operator Tom Cowan had found the turtles and taken them back to the Gold Line yard, where he turned them over safely to



the yard controller.

Kevin and Jacqueline Hoang took the turtles home to their son, Brandon.

Meanwhile, Brandon had told another train operator about his lost pets. That operator’s train was scheduled to depart from Sierra Madre Villa, but he called the yard and located the lost turtles.

On Monday morning, Brandon’s father, Kevin, drove to the Gold Line yard and picked up the turtles for the trip to their new home in Fullerton.