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MTA ANNOUNCES SCHEDULE, ROUTE CHANGES AFFECTING METRO BLUE LINE AND 154 BUS LINES TO GO INTO EFFECT SUNDAY, JUNE 26

Fourteen MTA bus lines and Blue Line trains will experience significant schedule and/or route changes beginning Sunday, June 26, with 140 more receiving minor schedule or routing adjustments as part of the agency's routine practice of refining its bus service semi-annually to best meet the needs of its ridership.

The most significant changes will affect the following lines:

Metro Blue Line -- During weekday rush hours (5 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 5:20 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.), every other northbound train will begin at the Willow Street station in Long Beach instead of the Transit Mall Station in downtown Long Beach. In addition, every other southbound train will terminate at the Willow Station during these same hours. This adjustment is made due to low ridership on trains between the Transit Mall and Willow Street stations during rush hours.

Line 34 (Rose Avenue) -- Line to be cancelled due to low ridership.

Line 71 (City Terrace Drive-Sybil Brand Institute) -- Service cancelled between 9 p.m. and midnight. Line 70 buses will be rerouted to absorb most of Line 71's route to the Sybil Brand Institute during those hours.

Lines 446 (L.A.-Carson-Wilmington-San Pedro Express) -- During night hours (10 p.m. to 5 a.m.), northbound and southbound Line 446 passengers will no longer have to transfer to Line 45 buses at San Pedro Street and Rosecrans

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Avenue in the South Central Area if they wish to continue their trips to downtown Los Angeles or San Pedro. Passengers may now stay on their bus for the entire trip, thus saving the 25-cent transfer.

Lines 154, 163, 164, 165 -- A minor route change to all of these Burbank-area lines will provide for permanent service to the Burbank Metrolink station. In addition, lines **92, 93, 152 and 410** will be routed to a new transfer point at 1st and Olive streets in Burbank to better serve the Burbank Metrolink station.

Line 108 (Slauson Avenue) and Line 110 (Gage Ave.-Centinela Ave.-Fox Hills Mall) -- Service to be cancelled after 10 p.m. in the Huntington Park and Maywood areas.

Line 420 (L.A.-Van Nuys-Panorama City Express) -- Starting Monday, July 27, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every weekday, every other southbound Line 420 bus will terminate at Santa Monica Boulevard and Western Avenue instead of going into downtown Los Angeles. Southbound Line 420 passengers wishing to go into downtown Los Angeles should look for headsign on bus that says, "Downtown L.A." instead of "Santa Monica/Western."

The following lines all will have minor schedule modifications that will alter frequency of service by anywhere from one to 15 minutes. Individual MTA bus line schedules can be obtained at any MTA Customer Information Center and at hundreds of other retail outlets. Schedule information also can be obtained by calling (213) 626-4455, (818) 781-5890 or (818) 246-2593:

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