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## MTA ANNOUNCES SPECIAL DISCOUNTED FARE FOR PATRONS USING THE NEW I-105/HARBOR FREEWAY TRANSITWAY STATION

The MTA will implement a special six-month promotional fare program for all MTA Express Bus Lines using the new I-105/Harbor Transitway Station on the Harbor Freeway. The special fare will eliminate one express zone charge, saving bus patrons 50 cents each way, or \$1 round trip.

The special program, approved by the MTA Board of Directors, will coincide with the opening of the new I-105/Harbor Transitway Station scheduled for August 1.

Metro bus riders traveling between the new Transitway Station and downtown Los Angeles will pay \$1.35 base fare plus only one express zone charge of 50 cents, for a total of \$1.85 each way, compared to the regular fare of \$2.35. Seniors and the disabled can ride for 70 cents each way.

Metro patrons also can take advantage of MTA's discount token program by using a 90 cent token as payment of the base fare. Regular MTA monthly passes also will be honored as payment of the base fare. Green Line patrons can purchase a rail-to-bus transfer for 25 cents.

"The opening of this new Transitway Station along the Harbor Freeway will show MTA riders the convenience of transferring from one mode of transportation to another and will connect the Green Line with the Harbor Freeway," said MTA Board Chairman Larry Zarian. "In addition, offering a special fare on the express bus lines serving this station will attract new riders to MTA Harbor Freeway services."

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MTA Express Lines offering the special discounted fare that operate along the Harbor Freeway are: Line 444 (Los Angeles Union Station/West Torrance/Rolling Hills/Rancho Palos Verdes); Line 445 (Los Angeles/Alpine Village San Pedro Park-Ride); Line 446 (Los Angeles Union Station/Carson/Wilmington/San Pedro via Pacific Avenue); and Line 447 (Los Angeles Union Station/Carson/Wilmington/San Pedro via 7<sup>th</sup> Street). In addition, LADOT Express Line 448 will serve the Transitway Station to downtown Los Angeles.

New discount fares on these lines will range between \$1.85 to \$2.85 depending upon length of travel, compared to the regular fares of \$2.35 to \$3.35. Those purchasing express zone stamps with their MTA monthly passes will eliminate one zone payment for a savings of \$15.00 each month.

"We hope MTA patrons using these services will take advantage of the reduced fare and enjoy the convenience of this new Transitway Station and the convenience of MTA Harbor Freeway Express services," said MTA Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Drew.

The discounted fare program will run from August 1 through January 31, 1997. For additional route and schedule information, patrons can call MTA telephone Information at 1-800-COMMUTE.

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