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MAYOR RIORDAN TO TAKE TOUR OF NEW HOLLYWOOD SUBWAY STATION AND CONSTRUCTION SITE OF FUTURE OSCARS HOME

WHAT: The press is invited to join Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan and a group of prominent Hollywood business leaders on a tour of the Hollywood/Highland Metro Red Line subway station, which opens to the public June 24. The tour also will include a visit to the site of the future home of the Academy Awards, part of developer TrizecHahn's *Hollywood & Highland* entertainment/retail complex, a \$430 million joint venture with MTA under construction above the new Metro Rail station. The 640,000 square foot retail development, featuring retail shops, restaurants and general cinemas, will open in Fall 2001. The Academy Awards will be televised from *Hollywood & Highland* in March 2002. After the tour, the Mayor and business leaders will discuss the economic renaissance of Hollywood. The opening of the 6.3 mile extension of the Metro Red Line subway to the San Fernando Valley also will feature new stations across from Universal Studios and in North Hollywood at Lankershim and Chandler boulevards. (members of the media must wear hard sole shoes and pants since this is a construction site.)

WHEN: **9:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 21, 2000**
(media to receive safety training and gear at this time, Mayor arrives at 10 a.m.)

WHERE: Hollywood/Highland Metro Red Line Station, Hollywood
(parking available on Hollywood Boulevard, just west of Highland)

WHO: Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan
Jaime de la Vega, MTA Board member
David Green, President, Hollywood Entertainment District
Leron Gubler, President/CEO, Hollywood Chamber of Commerce
Russ Joyner, General Manager, TrizecHahn Development

VISUALS: At 10 a.m. sharp the Mayor and his entourage arrive at the station by Metro Rail.
Note: media can ride back to Hollywood/Vine station with the Mayor after event. Train ride back to Hollywood/Highland will be provided.

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