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CEO Snoble is recognized by State, County leaders

(Feb. 26, 2009) CEO Roger Snoble has added two notable plaques to the considerable collection that fills nearly three walls of his office.

Los Angeles County Supervisor and Metro Board Member Zev Yaroslavsky personally delivered a tribute to CEO Snoble on Thursday.



So noted: "It couldn't have been done without you."

Snoble smiled as he displayed a framed page of the Measure R item on the Nov. 4 General Election ballot with a handwritten inscription from Yaroslavsky that reads: "Thanks for your indispensable role in getting Measure R on the ballot and passed by the voters. It couldn't have been done without you."

At Thursday's Board meeting, Aaron Miller, transportation deputy for state Sen. Fran Pavley, D-Agoura Hills, presented a large glass-encased plaque as he read a proclamation.

"Thanks to the leadership of Roger Snoble, over the last seven years Metro is now one of the top transit agencies in the country," Miller read.

He said Snoble was instrumental in equipping Metro with a fleet of 2,500 compressed natural gas buses, and pushing for the solar-powered bus facility in El Monte.

"Metro has established an eco-friendly system and has gotten people out of their own vehicles and onto buses and trains. Under Roger's stewardship, Metro built the Orange Line in the Valley, is expanding the Gold Line to East L.A., and is constructing light rail from downtown to Culver City as we speak.

"And Roger was heavily involved in getting Measure R passed in November, which means when my 2-year-old daughter has her own children, hopefully by that time they'll be riding the subway to the sea, and also some kind of train from the Westside to the Valley and back.

"On behalf of Senator Pavley, Assemblywoman Julia Brownley (D-Santa Monica) and Assemblyman Mike Feuer (D-Los Angeles), it's my honor to present Roger Snoble with this resolution from the California Legislature in recognition for everything he's done for Metro and the people of LA County. And we wish you a happy and healthy retirement," Miller concluded as the board and audience applauded.

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