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TRACK REPAIR WORK AT METRO GREEN LINE HARBOR FWY. STATION TO BE COMPLETED AHEAD OF SCHEDULE; NORMAL OPERATIONS TO RESUME MONDAY, APRIL 22

A planned 23-day construction project to modify the track structure for the Metro Green Line tracks at the Harbor Fwy. Station will be completed one week early, allowing MTA to return service to normal operations effective Monday, April 22.

"This is good news for our passengers who have been very patient through two weeks of construction," said John Fasana, MTA Board Chair. "They endured a longer commute without complaint while we completed a very necessary repair project."

"In addition, Metro Builders & Engineers Group, LTD, our rail and bus operations staff, maintenance of way personnel, and station attendants are to be congratulated for a job well done," he added. "This was the first time MTA has had to impact peak hour service with a project of this magnitude, and their professionalism kept the amount of inconvenience to our passengers to a minimum."

Over time, ground settlement at the Harbor Fwy. Station caused a slight depression (two inches) at three locations of the track structure. This condition made it necessary for MTA to create and adjust a temporary support system until a more permanent solution could be devised. The integrity of the station, itself, was not compromised by the problem, nor was passenger safety placed at risk.

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The repair work got underway April 6. Metro Builders & Engineers Group, LTD, removed existing concrete slabs under the tracks at the three locations and MTA replaced the slabs with concrete railroad ties and ballast (gravel). This will allow MTA to adjust the track surface with minimal service impacts should any additional settlement occur.

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