

**JOINT MOTION BY DIRECTOR HAHN AND
DIRECTOR O'CONNOR**

The Metro Rapid Bus Demonstration Program has been a successful program to provide reliable bus transportation in Los Angeles County. Both the Wilshire / Whittier Corridor and Ventura Boulevard Corridor have demonstrated an average 23% increase in operating speeds and an average 29% increase in ridership. These corridors have also increased service reliability and improved service effectiveness. In effect, the Metro Rapid Bus Demonstration Program provides a creative solution to meet the transportation needs for residents in Los Angeles County.

In order to build upon the success of the Metro Rapid Bus Demonstration Program (Phase I), the MTA should review and then propose means to accelerate the deployment program for Phase II *taking into account factors such as project readiness and cost effectiveness* as well as establish an effective bus signal priority system for all Los Angeles County *in cooperation with impacted cities and operators*.

I THEREFORE MOVE that MTA prepare a series of alternatives for the accelerated deployment for the Phase II program of the MTA Metro Rapid Bus system in 6 months and present these alternatives for the full consideration of the MTA Executive Board; and

I FURTHER MOVE that MTA with the full assistance and cooperation of the Municipal Operators, cities, and Los Angeles County, expand this proven low-cost and highly effective bus signal priority system currently in use for the Metro Rapid Bus Demonstration Program (Phase I).