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OFFICERS:

Richard H. Rich, Chairman Roy A. Blount, Vice Chairman Edmund W. Hughes, Secretary Henry L. Stuart, General Manager

Mr. Dan Sweat Liaison, Mayor's Office City Hall Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sweat:

The Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority is organizing a trip to Montreal and Toronto to see their rapid transit operations. The chartered flight will leave Atlanta for Montreal on Wednesday, June 12, go to Toronto that night, and leave Toronto Thursday, June 13, to return to Atlanta. (Abbreviated itinerary is attached.)

Since MARTA is not able to pay for such a trip, each person who accepts the invitation to go will bear his own expenses. The cost of the trip, including contingency allowance, will be \$180.00 excluding hotel charges other than room, breakfast and lunch Thursday, or any personal expenditures. Any overage will be returned to you.

Invitations are being extended to about 300 governmental and business leaders, including Atlanta's Mayor, Vice-Mayor, and aldermen; the Commissioners of Clayton, DeKalb, Fulton and Gwinnett Counties; all mayors in the four counties; members of the Atlanta Area Transportation Study Policy Committee; presidents, executive officers, and others in the Chambers of Commerce; the Governor, Lt. Governor, Speaker of the House, and other state officials; news media, and other individuals who have expressed interest in such a trip. If you know of someone not in these categories who should be invited, please let me know immediately, and this same invitation will go to those you suggest.

Reservations for the trip will be made on a first-come, first served basis for the 86 seats available.

I hope you will make your reservation promptly. Your check for \$180.00 made out to MARTA for the Montreal-Toronto Trip should be in our office as soon as possible. This trip will enable you and others who will play a leading role in the development of rapid transit in Atlanta to see first hand two modern rapid transit systems and what they have done and are doing for their communities, and to do so at minimum expense.

I hope you will plan to make this trip.

Sincerely, IL Pile

Richard H. Rich