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VIRGINIA TRANSIT ASSOCIATION UNANIMOUSLY ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Richmond, Virginia: The Virginia Transit Association (VTA) unanimously elected Blacksburg Mayor, Ron Rordam, as President of the Association at its meeting on June 10, held in Portsmouth, Virginia. Prior to this, Mayor Rordam had been Vice President of the Association since November 2009. He has been on the Virginia Municipal League executive board since 2009.

Mayor Ron Rordam worked closely with Christiansburg on adding Christiansburg service to Blacksburg Transit. He also was on the committee to add the Smart Way service from Blacksburg to Roanoke and now Smart Way service to Lynchburg, where there is an Amtrak station. His goal is to “continue to advocate mass transit as an effective alternative to building more roads with continued emphasis on regional cooperation.”

Outgoing VTA President, Mayor William Euille of Alexandria, praised him for his commitment to advancing public transportation in Blacksburg and across Virginia.

Also at the June 10 VTA meeting, Dr. Patricia Woodbury, council woman for Newport News, was elected Vice President for a two-year term. Dr. Woodbury is Vice Chair of the Hampton Roads Transit Board. She has led the effort in Hampton Roads to lesson congestion and has been at the helm of many community leadership positions, including school boards and advisory councils. "I am very honored to have been elected Vice President of the Virginia Transit Association. I look forward to supporting the vision and goals of this crucial organization and to advancing the programs of VTA," she stated in response to her election.

In addition, Mr. Michael Carroll, General Manager of the Greater Lynchburg Transit Company (GLTC), was re-elected as Treasurer and Mr. Alfred Harf, Executive Director of the Potomac & Rappahannock Transit Company (PRTC), was re-elected Secretary.

Founded in 1977, the Virginia Transit Association provides public education and advocacy to support public transportation systems throughout the Commonwealth. VTA has 67 total members, which include 24 transit properties and 43 business and associate members.

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