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**CHAIRMAN HOLLOWAY STATEMENT ON APPROVAL OF  
MASS TRANSIT FUNDING IN STATE BUDGET**

*Thanks Governor Doyle and Senator Taylor for advancing Milwaukee County Mass Transit funding*

**Milwaukee, WI** – Milwaukee County Board Chairman Lee Holloway released the following statement in response to the approval of mass transit funding in the 2007-09 Wisconsin State Budget:

“I thank State Senator Lena Taylor for her leadership in prioritizing funding for Milwaukee County throughout the State Budget process, particularly in the area of Mass Transit. I also thank Governor Jim Doyle for signing the budget, including the increased transit funding. Under the budget agreement approved by the Senate and the Assembly, and signed by Governor Doyle, all transit systems will receive a 2.5% increase in aid from the State, as well as a \$3.2 million allocation specifically for the Milwaukee County Transit System in 2008.”

“I believe Mass Transit is the lifeline of urban neighborhoods, providing a vital transportation option for people who have no alternatives. I am pleased that Senator Taylor shares my passion for transit in Milwaukee County and I thank her for urging her colleagues to approve the additional transit funding in the State Budget. This increased transit funding helps avoid drastic service reductions and provides property tax relief in Milwaukee County. I appreciate this support from the State and urge the Governor and State Legislature to help identify a dedicated non-property tax funding source for the long-term needs of Mass Transit in Milwaukee County.”

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