2014 GREEN LINE IMPROVEMENTS PUBLIC FORUM

BOSTON (Friday, May 23, 2014) — A public forum outlining the progress being made to improve the Green Line will be hosted by State Senator Will Brownsberger and other elected officials on Wednesday, May 28 at 6:00 PM at the Boston Public Library in Copley Square, 700 Boylston Street, Rabb Lecture Hall.

MBTA personnel will give a presentation and accept questions from the public. Attendees will hear about short and long term thinking about ways to improve the Green Line:

- Speed: Reductions in travel time, especially along the surface.
- Frequency: Schedule adherence, and increases to the number of trains in service especially at rush hour.
- Capacity: Increases to the number of 3-car trains in service at rush-hour.
- Transparency: A frank discussion about Green Line operations today, and what improvements are on the way.
- Accessibility: Improvements recently made, and those under development, and what is to come.

Elected officials co-sponsoring the public meeting are State Senators Will Brownsberger (D-Belmont), Sonia Chang-Diaz (D-Boston), Cynthia Stone Creem (D-Newton), Sal DiDomenico (D-Everett), Pat Jehlen (D-Somerville); State Representatives Ruth Balser (D-Newton), Kevin Honan (D-Brighton), Jay Livingstone (D-Boston), Michael Moran (D-Brighton), Byron Rushing (D-Boston), Timothy Toomey (D-Cambridge); and Boston City Councilor Mark Ciommo (District 9).

"I am grateful for the attention MBTA top management is giving to improving the Green Line. Our forum in 2013 was an outstanding opportunity to hear from a full panel of MBTA personnel on capacity issues and solutions," said Senator Brownsberger (D-Belmont). "I look forward to another opportunity this year to hear the progress being made to address service challenges and to give feedback to the MBTA."

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The meeting space is accessible to people with disabilities.

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