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North Shore Coordination Plan Steering Committee
c/o PACE Suburban Bus
550 W. Algonquin Rd.
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

July 26, 2017

Dear Steering Committee,

We are writing on behalf of our constituents to express the need to extend the CTA's 155 Devon Avenue bus west to Lehigh Avenue, where it would connect with Metra's Edgebrook Station. Currently, the line only goes as far west as Kedzie Avenue. This westward extension should be included in the final recommendations of the PACE/CTA North Shore Coordination Plan.


As detailed in our attached proposal, extending the 155 Devon bus west would:

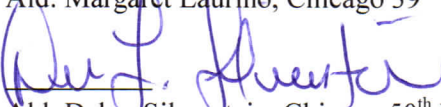
- Serve a sizable, underserved, disproportionately elderly population.
- Improve connectivity with existing transit lines.
- Serve not only several existing demand generators, but also emerging demand generators.
- Serve as a major feeder to a new Crawford/Pulaski bus line, which is likely to be included in the PACE/CTA North Shore Coordination Plan.
- Extend a high-performing revenue generating lines, without competing with other lines.

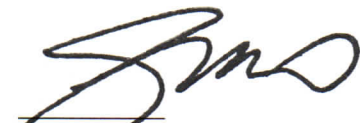
The proposed route extension has a favorable environment in terms of traffic, street width, potential bus stop locations, and turnaround location.

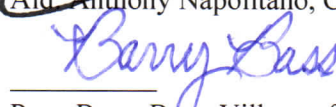
Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to working together to realize this proposal to improve transit service for our constituents and the North Shore as a whole.

Sincerely,


Ald. Margaret Laurino, Chicago 39th Ward


Ald. Debra Silverstein, Chicago 50th Ward


Ald. Anthony Napolitano, Chicago 41st Ward


Pres. Barry Bass, Village of Lincolnwood

Cc: Chairman Terry Peterson, President Dorval Carter, Jr., Commissioner Rebekah Sheinfeld, Luann Hamilton