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****PRESS RELEASE****

San Francisco Welcomes the Harvey Milk Streetcar Back Into Service

Recently restored PCC 1051 was dedicated to Milk in 2008

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), which manages the Municipal Railway (Muni), today joined its non-profit partner, the Market Street Railway (MSR), to welcome the President’s Conference Committee (PCC) streetcar number 1051 back into service. This streetcar is dedicated in honor of Supervisor Harvey Milk, the human rights pioneer and transit advocate.

This is another investment in Muni’s fleet, as PCC 1051 is the first vehicle in a 16-streetcar rehabilitation contract to return to service fully restored, rebuilt and upgraded with the latest security cameras, improved braking and other improvements.

“We are proud to welcome this streetcar back into Muni service fully restored, rebuilt and ready for action,” said Ed Reiskin, SFMTA Director of Transportation. “The Harvey Milk streetcar honors the memory of Supervisor Milk. His legacy is well-known and this permanent exhibit honors his life and draws additional attention to his efforts to improve Muni and make San Francisco a better place to live.”

Supervisor Milk was the first San Francisco Supervisor to regularly use a Fast Pass.

“Harvey Milk’s legacy in the LGBTQ rights movement is well known, and we wanted to draw additional attention to his efforts to improve Muni and make San Francisco a better place to live,” said MSR President Rick Laubscher. “We call the streetcars museums in motion and this car will serve as a dynamic presentation of San Francisco history.”

The historic streetcar displays the green and cream livery of the 1960s and is the same Presidents’ Conference Committee (PCC) model that was in service at that time. It was featured in the film “Milk.”

This rehabilitation includes re-engineering of the electrical and propulsion systems, inspection of current ancillary electrical systems and rewiring all lighting systems. Structural and accessibility upgrades were made shortly after the initial procurement.

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This project is part of a larger, \$31.5 million fleet expansion program that will see the rehabilitation of 26 historic streetcars. Sixteen of these streetcars comprise the original fleet that opened the F line in 1995 and were in need of a full overhaul. All of the projects in the program will be funded by federal, state and local funds, including \$3.5 million in Prop. K funds.

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Established by voter proposition in 1999, the SFMTA, a department of the City and County of San Francisco, oversees the Municipal Railway (Muni), parking and traffic, bicycling, walking and taxis. With five modes of transit, Muni has approximately 700,000 passenger boardings each day. Over 1 million people get around this city each day and rely on the SFMTA to ensure safe and reliable travel by transit, walking, bicycling, taxi and driving.

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