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NEW OFFICERS NAMED TO THE CENTRAL MIDLANDS REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

COLUMBIA, SC (December XX, 2009) – The Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority (CMRTA) has recently announced the selection of its 2010-2011 officers. These elected positions include Board Chair, Joyce Dickerson, Board Vice, Chair Tommy Windsor and Board Secretary and Treasurer, Charles Cook.

“We are excited to have such an experienced and knowledgeable board of officers to lead us into 2010 and throughout 2011,” said Interim Chair, Mayor Bob Coble.

Serving the community on the Richland County Council since 2004, Dickerson also serves as Chair to the Administration and Finance Committee. The Richland County appointee and newly elected Board Chair holds a position on the Economic Recovery Stimulus Ad Hoc Committee and is on the National Multi Modal Steering Committee in addition to many other committees, boards, commissions and organizations.

“I’m excited to take on the challenge in helping to lead this board to improve our transportation system for everyone and secure a solid financial foundation for the system,” said Dickerson.

City of Columbia appointee, Tommy Windsor, will serve as the CMRTA’s Board Vice Chair. Windsor has served on the Board of Directors of the CMRTA for six years, and is a former member of the Central Midlands Council of Governments, the Executive Board of the Epilepsy Foundation of South Carolina and the Board of Directors of Common Cause of South Carolina. He currently works for the South Carolina Attorney General's Office.

“Thousands of people in the Midlands depend on public transportation for their jobs, health and everyday needs,” commented Windsor. “Many businesses in the Midlands count on the transportation system for their workforce. Our responsibility is to maintain a strong and efficient system that meets their needs and a community as a whole.”

Board Secretary and Treasurer, Charles Cook, is a founding member of the CMRTA board since it was established in 2002. Appointed to the CMRTA board by the Town of Arcadia Lakes, Cook is a Columbia-area attorney.

“This is a key time for the CMRTA and I look forward to working with this newly elected board that I believe has the enthusiasm, commitment and passion to redirect and improve public transportation for our citizens,” Cook said.

About the CMRTA:

Established in October 2002, the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority (CMRTA) is committed to providing safe, dependable and accessible public transit service to the heart of the Midlands. For more information about the CMRTA, visit www.goCMRTA.com.

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