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STATEMENT BY U.S. SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION CLAUDE S. BRINEGAR ON
SENATE PASSAGE OF THE NATIONAL MASS TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE ACT
OF 1974, NOVEMBER 19, 1974

The Senate has responded quickly and favorably to President Ford's message of November 18th in which he asked for passage of mass transit legislation by the 93rd Congress.

The large majority vote accorded S.386 reflects the clear public understanding that strengthened mass transit programs represent one of our best means to conserve fuel and at the same time reduce through conservation the inflationary pressure of excess fuel demand.

I am confident the ranking members of the House will set aside their parliamentary differences and enable the House of Representatives to join with the President and the Senate in furnishing the leadership needed to enact this year a long-term, comprehensive, national mass transit program.

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