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BONNIE B. WHYTE APPOINTED UMTA PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIRECTOR

Administrator Ralph L. Stanley has announced the appointment of Bonnie B. Whyte as Public Affairs Director for the Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA), the Federal agency which is responsible for administering more than \$4 billion in annual assistance to the Nation's transit systems.

Since 1981, she served as Public Affairs Director for the International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, and also was on Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige's public affairs staff.

"Bonnie Whyte will be an able spokesperson for UMTA and her broad background is a major plus in bringing our program to the public's attention," Stanley said.

Before joining the Reagan Administration, Whyte was Director of Legislative and Political Analysis for the National Association of Manufacturers from 1974-1980. Earlier she worked for the White House Research Office and for then-House Minority Leader Gerald R. Ford on the Republican Conference.

A former member of the Glen Echo, Maryland town council, Whyte resides there with her husband and daughter. A graduate of George Washington University, she received a 1979 award for Outstanding Young Women in America.

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