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**MV Transportation joins Florida officials for new public bus line ribbon cutting**

**June 12, 2006** — MV Transportation joined the Lake County, Florida Board of County Commissioners, the District Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation and members of the Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), to officially open the County's newest public-transportation initiative, the LakeXpress bus line, on Monday, June 11.

The service is operated by MV Transportation, which has operated the County's paratransit community transportation system since July 2005.

The fixed-route circulator service, which debuted on May 21, currently has five routes that operate Monday through Friday. From all indications, LakeXpress is a success among riders. During the first week of service, approximately 700 passengers hopped on-board. In the second week, the passenger total more than doubled to 1,500. The service has continually met an On Time Performance (OTP) of 99%, and the response from the community has been phenomenal.

LakeXpress is designed to make daily commutes along U.S. Highway 441 hassle free. In years to come, the service will be expanded to other urban areas of the County.

MV was selected as the provider of LakeXpress primarily due the work of MV General Manager David Hope and his team. Hope has managed the County's paratransit service on behalf on MV since 2005.

"I am certain that MV was selected to manage the new fixed-route not only for the great product we provide, but because of the very solid partnership we have built with Lake County officials," said Jon Monson, MV's Chief Executive Officer. "We have been at the table alongside the county through the planning and execution of this new service."

MV has been instrumental in assisting the county in scheduling, route design and overall operations. At year's end, a downtown Mount Dora circulator route will begin.

***About MV Transportation, Inc.***

Based in Fairfield, California, MV Transportation is the largest minority and privately-owned passenger transportation firm in the country. MV contracts with more than 150 local governments and transit agencies in 26 states and the District of Columbia to provide public transportation services for local residents. The company employs more than 10,000 transit professionals.



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