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September 22, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR: Thurgood Marshall, Jr.
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Gene Sperling, Assistant to the President and
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FROM: Michael Huerta
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SUBJECT: Background on White House NEXTEA ~~Urban Constituency~~ Event,
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REMARKS: Talking points will be provided

MEDIA: Yes

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DATE/TIME Wednesday, October 1, 1997, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

DURATION: 60 minutes

LOCATION: OEOB Room 450

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Deputy Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs
The White House

FROM:

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Deputy Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs

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RSVP FAX SHEET

(Tentative Event)

WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT

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NEXTEA Urban Constituency Event

Date: October 1, 1997
Location: Room 450, Old Executive Office Building
Time (Tentative): ~~10:00 a.m.~~ (Please arrive by ~~9:30 a.m.~~ at Pennsylvania Avenue Entrance)
2:30 PM 1:30 PM

Contact: Barbara M. Leach
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RSVP by Tuesday, September 30, 12:00 noon
A separate form is required for each person attending.

Because the event is tentative at this time and seating will be limited, we will confirm the time and your reservation for this event with a letter of invitation by fax.

STRENGTHENING URBAN COMMUNITIES

Sound transportation is crucial for sustaining economic prosperity and a high quality of life in our cities. Targeted infrastructure investment can reduce congestion and improve connections so businesses can take advantage of the city's proximity to suppliers, support services, markets, and amenities. Such investment also can generate jobs for city residents, directly through construction, and indirectly by attracting new businesses.

ISTEA SUCCESES

- ✓ ISTEAs strengthened the role of cities in the transportation planning process, giving cities greater control over a substantial portion of federal funds and enabling them to choose projects which best met urban needs.
- ✓ Together with the increased flexibility of many programs, this enabled funding to be transferred to such urban needs as transit. Over \$3 billion traditionally earmarked for highways was used for high-priority transit projects, most in cities, and overall transit funding increased under ISTEAs, reaching a record \$6 billion in 1995 alone.

KEY NEXTEA PROVISIONS

- NEXTEA sustains investment in mass transportation by increasing direct federal transit funding to \$5 billion a year, by increasing the flexible Surface Transportation Program, and by making Amtrak and intercity rail terminals eligible for funding. Transit programs would be streamlined to make it easier for local officials to select the options that make the most sense for their communities
- NEXTEA includes a six-year, \$600 million program to support flexible, innovative transportation alternatives, such as vanpools, to get people to where the jobs are and to provide access to training and such support services as child care.
- Technology can provide needed additional urban travel capacity with less disruption to established communities and at less cost than new construction. NEXTEA proposes to make intelligent transportation systems eligible under all major programs, and to create an incentive program to ensure that these technologies are fully integrated.
- NEXTEA would further strengthen the role of central cities in regional planning and simplify federal planning requirements.



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closeby here in Maryland; a mayor such as USCM
Transportation Chair Bill Campbell (Other Mayors -
Abrahamson, Bollwage, Schmoke), NACo President Randy
Johnson or other County leader strong on transportation
(Kate Hanley, Wayne Curry, Dutch Ruppensberger or
Douglas Duncan).**

REMARKS: Talking points will be provided

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Principals Attending:	POTUS	VPOTUS	HRC	MEG
Date/Time:	October 1, 1997 2:30pm- 4pm			
Location:	OEOB Room 450			
Event:	NEXTEA Briefing			

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Dutch Ruppertsberger County Executive, Baltimore County, MD	Sue Simmon	(410)887-24500	NO	NM9/30
Wayne Curry County Executive, Prince Georges County, MD		(301)952-4217	YES	NM9/30
Doug Duncan County Executive, Montgomery County, MD	Joannme Poor	(301)217-2500	YES	NM9/30
Marilyn Praisner President, Council President, Montgomery County, MD Isiah Leeggett, VP of Montgomery County and Chair of Transportation Committee	Sherry	(301)217-7907	NO sendin g rep.	CF9/29
Stephen Del Giudice Councilmember, Prince Georges County, MD	Myra	(301)952-4436	YES	NM9/30
Kate Hanley Board of Supervisors Chair, Fairfax County, VA	Rosanna Crabtree	(703)324-3955	NO	CF9/29

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