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## AMTRAK HONORED TO CARRY SEN. LAUTENBERG BACK TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

WASHINGTON – Amtrak Chairman Tony Coscia and President and CEO Joe Boardman made the following statement:

With the passing of U.S. Senator Frank Lautenberg, the nation has lost a dedicated public servant who valiantly served the American people in time of war and peace. A World War II veteran, successful businessman and national leader, Amtrak is honored to be chosen to carry him back to Washington, D.C. one final time.

During his long career, he championed many causes and provided essential leadership to improve the country's transportation infrastructure in order to advance economic growth, increase mobility and connect the nation. In his eyes, passenger rail was equally important as all other modes of transportation.

He was a true friend of Amtrak who deeply believed in the national mission of America's Railroad and in the people who do every facet of work to make this railroad run. Time and time again he fought for and delivered what was needed to maintain and grow the Amtrak national network, particularly for the Northeast Corridor which runs through his beloved New Jersey.

While we mourn his passing, intercity rail passengers today, and generations of Americans yet to come, will benefit from his leadership on rail transportation issues.

Thank you Sen. Lautenberg for your service to the nation. You have arrived at your final station.

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