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PUBLIC PASSENGER VEHICLE TRAINING PROGRAM
WASHINGTON COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that on March 4, 1999 Karen Meyers, Disabilities Reporter for WLS-TV Channel 7 featured a story on the Paratransit Training Program, a 6-1/2 hour component on how to transport persons with disabilities which has been incorporated since October 1998 into the 5-1/2 day taxi training course which is offered at Washington College; and

that since 1986, the Public Passenger Vehicle Training Program has been training all prospective taxi drivers in conjunction with the Department of Consumer Services under the leadership of Commissioner Caroline Schoenberger; and

that Ms. Meyers also interviewed Commissioner Shoenberger, Yolanda Triguts from the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation a user of an accessibility vehicle, and Cleota Porter, Director of the Public Passenger Vehicle Program; and

that following the filming, appreciation awards were presented to Stanley C. Rakestraw, President, SCR Transportation, for the donation of the wheel chair accessible van model which is used in the training, and to Joann Horton, President of Kennedy-King College and Professor Joseph Wormack and the students of Kennedy-King College who re-constructed the van into a training module.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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