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CT AWARDED \$30 M FOR HIGH SPEED RAIL PROJECT THAT RUNS THROUGH HARTFORD

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(May 9, 2011) --- The State of Connecticut has been awarded \$30 million in federal funding for the third phase of the New-Haven-Hartford-Springfield high-speed rail line. The money is part of a \$2 billion package that was declined by the State of Florida.

“I want to congratulate Governor Malloy for his dedication and tenacity for going after these funds and delivering on his commitment to a project that creates great hope and now promise for much needed jobs and economic development in urban job centers like Hartford,” said Mayor Pedro E. Segarra.

“The Governor says this is a significant step towards Connecticut strengthening its transportation infrastructure and I couldn’t agree more. This is also a significant example of our cities, state, fellow New England states, and our Congressional delegations working collaboratively to compete and now earning these federal dollars,” added the Mayor.

On Saturday, the nation marked the Fourth Annual “National Train Day.” The funding to promote and improve the current and future transportation system came in a timely manner. Hartford’s historic Union Station is the destination for more than 700,000 passengers and visitors each year.

“Hartford’s role as a job and transit hub is very much a part of our ‘*One City, One Plan*’ for conservation and development. Couple this funding with the support of the busway and the pedestrian iQuilt vision, and Hartford is moving in the right direction to transform itself into a transportation center for the region and a destination of choice that will ultimately benefit the entire state both economically and environmentally by creating jobs, and reducing traffic and pollution,” said Mayor Segarra.