September 3, 2009

President Neal Smatresk
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Dear President Smatresk:

I would like to formally thank you, the UNLV Transportation Research Center, and other UNLV faculty and staff for their commitment and efforts in hosting “A Community Discussion with Desert Xpress, LLC” on Monday, August 31, 2009, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Science and Engineering Building.

This presentation and discussion, cosponsored by the Ward 5 Chamber of Commerce, Green Tech Ventures and Desert Xpress, provided an effective forum for reviewing the plans for building and operating a high speed train between Victorville, California and Las Vegas, Nevada.

Professor Ken Peck and other members of the Transportation Research Center in the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering provided an exceptional venue and support for this very positive-campus event. I also would like to commend Ron Smith, Vice President, Research and Graduate Studies, for his efforts and contributions to the program.

I appreciate the University’s participation and leadership in educating the public about this exciting project and its possibilities for enhancing the quality of life in this area.

Sincerely,

Harvey J. Munford
Nevada State Assemblyman
Assembly District No. 6

Co: United States Senator Harry Reid
United States Senator John Ensign
Governor Jim Gibbons
Katherine Duncan, Chairman, Ward 5 Chamber of Commerce