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## LINK TRANSIT CELEBRATES NINE YEARS OF TRANSIT SERVICES

**Burlington, NC** – June 6, 2025 marks the ninth anniversary of Link Transit providing public transportation services to Burlington, Elon, Gibsonville, Mebane, Alamance County and Alamance Community College. To date, Link Transit has provided close to 954,000 trips since beginning operations on June 6, 2016.

To celebrate, Link Transit staff will hand out free Link Transit giveaways at the Transit Hub located at 504 South Worth Street on Tuesday, June 6 from noon to 3pm. Staff will also be available to talk with patrons about Link Transit and Link Paratransit services and operations. In addition, all rides on Link Transit will be free.

Over its nine years of service, Link Transit has continually upgraded services. Most recently Link has added more stops and bus shelters, formed a new partnership with the City of Mebane to extend bus services to Cone Health's MedCenter Mebane, added a brand new fleet of 10 low-floor, easy-to-board vehicles including low-emission electric busses, received additional grant funding to support public transit operations and necessary capital improvements, and completed the system's first Transit Development Plan and Transit Facility Study. Link has also recently partnered with the MOOVIT app and the Token Transit app. MOOVIT makes it easier for riders to plan a trip, track a bus and pay a fare. Token Transit can also be used to pay a fare. Link Transit has also added zero emission electric buses as a way to help clean the air.

"Link Transit continues to realize additional successes since 2016. From new buses, improved accessibility to bus stops, more shelters, and the completion of a business plan to guide Link Transit operations and capital needs for the next five years, the future is looking bright for Link Transit" stated Burlington Transportation Director Mike Nunn. Mr. Nunn started Link Transit nine years ago and was instrumental in the planning of Link Transit prior to its start.

"Its amazing to see that Link Transit is one year away from moving 1 million passenger trips!" stated Link Transit Manager, John Andoh. "There are more improvements to come in the next year, which includes electric paratransit vans, improved schedules and routing, extension of

service to Haw River, new transit operator, new paratransit scheduling app and a new regional fare app in coordination with PART, NC" stated Andoh.

Learn more about Link Transit, its routes, and how to ride at www.linktransit.org or by calling (336) 222.LINK. Follow Link Transit on X, Facebook or Instagram by visiting @LinkTransitNC.

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## **About Link Transit**

Link Transit operates five fixed routes and a door-to-door demand response service for persons with disabilities is available in Burlington, Gibsonville, Elon, Mebane and to/from Alamance County Office Building and Courts and Alamance Community College, Monday through Saturday. All routes meet in Downtown Burlington at the transfer hub located at Worth Street and Webb Avenues. Link Transit is funded with local, state and federal funds. Learn more about Link Transit at www.linktransit.org or call (336) 222.LINK.

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"The City of Burlington is dedicated to providing high quality municipal services within our diverse community in a friendly, professional and efficient manner in order to promote the safety, health, and quality of life of residents and employees."