

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1672

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served April 14, 1977

Application of THE GRAY LINE, INC.,)
for Temporary Authority to Perform)
Special Operations)

Application No. 989

By Application No. 989, filed April 6, 1977, as supplemented on April 11, 1977, The Gray Line, Inc. (Gray Line), seeks temporary authority pursuant to the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 4(d)(3), to transport passengers in regular-route operations limited to bus service between Silver Spring, Md., on the one hand, and, on the other, Rosecroft Raceway, Oxon Hill, Md., serving specified intermediate points in the District of Columbia. Gray Line proposes to charge a round-trip fare of \$4.25 per person and a one-way fare of \$3 per person. Gray Line's buses would depart from a Greyhound terminal in Silver Spring and arrive at Rosecroft Raceway at 7:30 P. M. The buses would depart the racetrack 15 minutes after the last race. Intermediate stops, on a space available basis, would be made at the U. S. Soldier's Home and the Gray Line terminal in the District of Columbia.

The Commission may grant temporary authority, in its discretion and without hearings or other proceedings, if it finds there is an immediate and urgent need to a point or points or within a territory having no carrier service capable of meeting such need. See Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 4(d)(3). Applicant has submitted letters from Rosecroft Raceway, an agent for Greyhound Lines, Inc., and other third parties indicating that there is an immediate and urgent need for the proposed service, and that there is no other carrier providing a similar service.

The Commission finds that the Compact requirements for temporary authority are met herein. Accordingly, the Commission shall grant Gray Line's application for temporary authority. The authority granted herein, however, to the extent it duplicates Gray Line's existing authority, shall not be construed as conferring more than a single operating right. The grant of temporary authority, furthermore, creates no presumption that corresponding permanent authority will be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Application No. 989 of The Gray Line, Inc., as supplemented, be, and it is hereby, granted.

2. That The Gray Line, Inc., be, and it is hereby, granted temporary authority to transport passengers, over regular routes from Silver Spring, Md.,

to Rosecroft Raceway, Oxon Hill, Md., serving U. S. Soldier's Home, junction Rock Creek Church Road and Upshur Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., and the terminal facilities of The Gray Line, Inc., located at junction 12th Street and K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., as intermediate points as follows:

(1) From 8100 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, Md., over Fenton Street to junction U. S. Highway 29 (Georgia Avenue), thence over U. S. Highway 29 to junction Blair Road, N. W., thence over Blair Road, N. W., to junction North Capitol Street, thence over North Capitol Street to junction Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., thence over Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., to junction Park Place, N. W., thence over Park Place, N. W., to junction Columbia Road, N. W., thence over Columbia Road, N. W., to junction 13th Street, N. W., thence over 13th Street, N. W., to junction K Street, N. W., thence over K Street, N. W., to the Gray Line Terminal at junction of 12th and K Streets, N. W., thence over 12th Street, N. W., to junction L Street, N. W., thence over L Street, N. W., to junction Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., then over Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., to junction 9th Street, N. W., thence over 9th Street, N. W., to junction Interstate Highway 95 (Southwest Freeway), thence over Interstate Highway 95 to junction Interstate Highway 295, thence over Interstate Highway 295 to junction Interstate Highway 495, thence over Interstate Highway 495 to junction Maryland Highway 414 (Oxon Hill Road), thence over Maryland Highway 414 to junction Bock Road, thence over Bock Road to junction Rosecroft Boulevard, thence over Rosecroft Boulevard to Rosecroft Raceway.

(2) From Rosecroft Raceway over Rosecroft Boulevard to junction Brinkley Road, thence over Brinkley Road to junction Maryland Highway 414 (St. Barnabas Road), thence over Maryland Highway 414 to junction Maryland Highway 5 (Branch Avenue), thence over Maryland Highway 5 to junction Pennsylvania Avenue, S. E., thence over Pennsylvania Avenue, S. E., to junction Independence Avenue, S. E., thence over Independence Avenue, S. E., to junction 1st Street, S. E., thence over 1st Street, S. E., to Union Station Plaza and junction Massachusetts Avenue, N. E., thence over Massachusetts Avenue, N. E., to junction H Street, N. W., thence over H Street, N. W., to junction 12th Street, N. W., thence over 12th Street, N. W., to junction Vermont Avenue, thence over Vermont Avenue to junction Sherman Avenue, N. W., thence over Sherman Avenue, N. W., to junction New Hampshire Avenue, N. W., thence over New Hampshire Avenue, N. W., to junction Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., thence over Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., to junction North Capitol Street, thence over North Capitol Street to Blair Road, N. W., thence over Blair Road, N. W., to junction U. S. Highway 29, thence over U. S. Highway 29 to junction Fenton Street, thence over Fenton Street to 8100 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, Md.

(3) From 8100 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, Md., over U. S. Highway 29 (Georgia Avenue) to junction Blair Road, N. W., thence over Blair Road,

N. W., to junction North Capitol Street, thence over North Capitol Street to junction Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., thence over Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., to U. S. Soldier's Home (Rock Creek Church Road and Upshur Street, N. W.), thence over Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., to junction Park Place, N. W., thence over Park Place, N. W., to junction 4th Street, N. W., thence over 4th Street, N. W., to junction Rhode Island Avenue, N. W., thence over Rhode Island Avenue, N. W., to junction 9th Street, N. W., thence over 9th Street, N. W., to junction Interstate Highway 95 (Southwest Freeway), thence over Interstate Highway 95 to junction Interstate Highway 295, thence over Interstate Highway 295 to junction Interstate Highway 495, thence over Interstate Highway 495 to junction Maryland Highway 414 (Oxon Hill Road), thence over Maryland Highway 414 to junction Bock Road, thence over Bock Road to junction Rosecroft Boulevard, thence over Rosecroft Boulevard to Rosecroft Raceway.

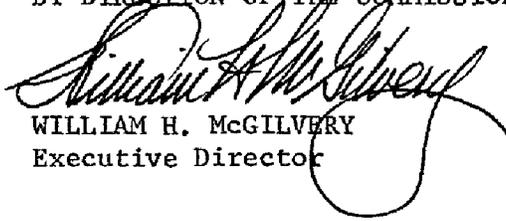
(4) From Rosecroft Raceway over Rosecroft Boulevard to junction Brinkley Road, thence over Brinkley Road to junction Oxon Hill Road, thence over Oxon Hill Road to junction Maryland Highway 210 (Indian-head Highway), thence over Maryland Highway 210 to junction Interstate Highway 495, thence over Interstate Highway 495 to junction Interstate Highway 295, thence over Interstate Highway 295 to junction Interstate Highway 95 (Southwest Freeway), thence over Interstate Highway 95 to junction 12th Street, S. W., thence over 12th Street, S. W., to junction Vermont Avenue, N. W., thence over Vermont Avenue, N. W., to junction Sherman Avenue, N. W., thence over Sherman Avenue, N. W., to junction New Hampshire Avenue, N. W., thence over New Hampshire Avenue, N. W., to junction Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., thence over Rock Creek Church Road, N. W., to junction North Capitol Street, thence over North Capitol Street to junction Blair Road, N. W., thence over Blair Road, N. W., to junction Maryland Highway 29, thence over Maryland Highway 29 to junction Fenton Street, thence over Fenton Street to 8100 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, Md.

RESTRICTIONS: (A) Service is authorized over Alternate Routes (3) and (4) only when buses departing U. S. Soldier's Home are filled to capacity. (B) No passengers may depart buses at points in the District of Columbia on southbound service and no passengers may enter buses at points in the District of Columbia on northbound service.

3. That the temporary authority granted herein shall become effective April 14, 1977, and shall remain in effect through June 25, 1977, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

4. That The Gray Line, Inc., shall file within five days of the service date of this order, WMATC Temporary Authority Tariff No. 1 in accordance with the authority granted herein to be effective upon acceptance by the Executive Director.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:



WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY
Executive Director