



January 29, 2016

Ms. Bertha W. Henry County Administrator Broward County 115 S. Andrews Avenue, Room 409 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

RE: Broward County Transit Buses Parked on Galt Ocean Drive

Dear Ms. Henry: Burkhu

On Thursday, January 21, the Galt Ocean Mile Civic Association met and discussed the issue of Broward County Transit Bus parking along Galt Ocean Drive.

On a daily basis, Broward County Transit Buses use space outside of the Playa Del Mar Condominium (3900 Galt Ocean Drive) and Regency Tower South Condominium (3750 Galt Ocean Drive) as a resting place. The buses parked along Galt Ocean Drive impede not only the flow of general traffic but make it difficult for emergency vehicles to navigate Galt Ocean Drive. Pedestrian crossings are routinely blocked and, most egregiously, accesses to handicap ramps are cut off by the parked buses. Furthermore, the buses, parked two at a time with a running engine, exude noxious fumes creating environmental and health issues for the community.

In addition to the life-safety issues imposed by the bus layovers on Galt Ocean Drive, the buses have repeatedly damaged public property. As you will see in the attached exhibits, the buses have damaged sidewalk curbs, brick pavers, and traffic signs.

We ask that the rest stop for Broward County Transit Buses is relocated from Galt Ocean Drive to a more suitable location outside the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Sincerely

Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM

City Manager

Attachments: 1. Photo of Damaged Brick Pavers

2. Photo of Damaged Sidewalk

Photo of Damaged Sign

C: Mayor & City Commission

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