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MEDIA ALERT: MCT DONATES POLICE PATROL BICYCLES TO TROY AND SOUTH ROXANA POLICE DEPARTMENTS:

DETAILS: In an effort to facilitate the development of police bicycle patrol programs in Madison County municipalities, MCT is donating iForce police bicycles to the Troy and South Roxana Police Departments. The program will allow officers to patrol both the streets and neighborhoods of Troy and South Roxana as well as the MCT Trails. Since police officers in uniform ride MCT fixed-route buses for free, and all MCT buses are equipped with bike racks, officers can take advantage of the bike & bus program to travel throughout the community.

According to Troy Mayor, Al Adomite, the City of Troy has a series of new trail and trail extensions planned for the near future. The Troy Police Department is always looking for new ways to connect with the community and is eager to use the bikes to do so. Likewise, South Roxana Mayor Barb Overton commented that she was looking forward to the new patrol bicycle assisting the Village in strengthening relationships with the public. In the last five years, MCT has donated patrol bicycles to police departments in Alton, East Alton, Edwardsville, Granite City, Maryville, and Highland.

BICYCLE SPECS: The mountain-bike style bicycles have been custom designed by iForce, a U.S. company that manufactures patrol bicycles exclusively. Each bicycle is equipped with “thumb-switch controlled” vehicle-grade sirens, public address speakers and flashing LED lights. The bikes are designed and manufactured for heavy-duty law enforcement use, complete with puncture-resistant Kevlar tires, an adjustable air shock and mechanical disc brakes for greater stopping power.

PICTURED: *At Troy Municipal Building, (left to right):* MCT GIS Specialist David Cobb, Troy Police Chief Brad Parsons, MCT Managing Director SJ Morrison, Troy Police Officer Zach Sellers, Troy Mayor Al Adomite, Troy Police Assistant Chief Brent Shownes.

At South Roxana Village Hall, (left to right): South Roxana Police Lieutenant Brian Doyle, South Roxana Mayor Barb Overton, South Roxana Police Chief Bob Coles, MCT Managing Director SJ Morrison, MCT GIS Specialist David Cobb.

In addition to operating its fixed-route bus system, the Runabout service and the regional rideshare program, MCT has developed and maintains more than 135 miles of bikeways known as the MCT Trails.

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