



## Response to Grey Hound Canada - Shut Down

2021-05-13

“Today’s announcement that Greyhound Canada is ending operations is a major blow to Canada’s ability to connect people and communities. It highlights the need for specific government support for private motor coach providers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic” stated Vince Accardi, President of Motor Coach Canada and the Ontario Motor Coach Association

Countries around the world are safeguarding their ability to connect residence and communities by providing specific economic relief for transportation service providers. Last week the U.S. Department of Treasury release the details of their Coronavirus Economic Relief for Transportation Services (CERTS) Grant Program. The \$2 billion program will provide grants to eligible motorcoach companies and other transportation service providers that have experienced annual revenue losses of 25 percent or more as result of COVID-19.

“Our members link smaller communities and big cities; they offer an affordable and convenient mode of travel for everyone from essential workers to students. They depend on ridership for revenues and often find themselves competing with government subsidized services. It will be vital to Canadians to ensure that they have transportation options” continued Accardi

Motor Coach Canada and the Ontario Motor Coach Association will continue to work with the federal and provincial government to secure support for private motor coach operators.

-END-

Motor Coach Canada (MCC) is a national association representing motor coach and tour operators in Canada. MCC is the national association representing the interests of private motor coach operators and bus operators supplying scheduled, charter, transit, and tour services.

Ontario Motor Coach Association (OMCA) represents motor coach operators and tour operators providing scheduled service, chartered bus service and organized tours throughout Ontario, and across provincial and international borders.

Inquiries: [info@omca.com](mailto:info@omca.com)