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**DEVAL PATRICK/TIM MURRAY ANNOUNCE
TRANSITION WORKING GROUPS AND MEMBERS**
*Groups to Meet With Residents Across the State,
Two Deputy Chiefs of Staff Named*

BOSTON – Wednesday November 22, 2006 – Governor-elect Deval Patrick and Lieutenant Governor-elect Tim Murray announced today the creation of 15 Transition Committee issues working groups that will help shape the new administration's policy agenda as it prepares to take office on Jan. 4, 2007.

Continuing in their grassroots outreach, Patrick and Murray also announced that the working groups would conduct a series of Community Meetings across the Commonwealth over the next several weeks to seek public input for their agenda.

"During the campaign, Tim Murray and I made it very clear that we will be seeking good ideas from Democrats, Republicans, Independents and anyone else, and we will listen to those ideas and pick the best ones to help move our Commonwealth forward. These Community meetings are the first step in the process," said Patrick.

The meetings will be convened by the co-chairs of the working groups and will include the members of those groups and will be open to the public. The findings from each working group will be filed as a report and delivered to the Governor- and Lt. Governor-elect by December 15th.

For residents unable to attend the public meetings, each group will be reviewing ideas submitted via the Patrick/Murray Transition Committee website, www.patrickmurraytransition.org. Final reports will be closely examined by Patrick and Murray as they shape their priorities for the Administration.

"This series of Community Meetings is just the beginning of our effort to bring people back into civic life, to re-engage their interest and to get some fresh, new ideas about how we tackle challenges and take advantage of opportunities," Patrick added.

The Patrick/Murray Transition Committee today also announced the appointments of two new Deputy Chiefs of Staff, David M. Simas and Brendan Ryan. Simas and Ryan will report directly to Chief of Staff Joan Wallace-Benjamin in the Patrick Administration.

Simas, a life-long resident of Taunton, Massachusetts is a 1992 graduate of Stonehill College and a 1995 graduate of Boston College Law School. Previous to taking the post as Deputy Chief of Staff in the Patrick Administration, Simas served on the Taunton School Committee, the Taunton City Council, worked as Deputy General Counsel to the Massachusetts House of Representatives Post Audit and Oversight Bureau, and aided the Mayor of Taunton as a Special Policy Advisor.

“I am honored to have this opportunity to serve,” said Simas. “I believe that my experience at the local, county and state levels will assist the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor to view the operations of state government from varied perspectives.”

Brendan Ryan, a native of Foxborough, worked for the Patrick campaign as Deputy Finance Director and later as Trip Director and Chief Aide to the Candidate. Ryan is a graduate of St. Sebastian’s School and Vanderbilt University and worked previously as a reporter for the Gardner News.

“I am honored and excited to be a part of the Governor-elect’s office. With the leadership of the Governor and Lt. Governor, we have an incredible opportunity to deliver real change.”

Co-chairs and members of the Transition Committee working groups include:

Budget and Finance

Chair, Steven Crosby, Dean, McCormick Graduate School of Policy Studies
UMASS-Boston

Chair, Michael J. Widmer, President, Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation
Charles Baker, CEO, Harvard Pilgrim

Martin Benison, Comptroller, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Jack Buckley, former Secretary of Administration and Finance

Katherine Craven, Executive Director, Massachusetts School Building Authority

Henry Dormitzer, Managing Director, UBS Bank

Jay Gonzalez, Partner-Public Finance Department, Edwards, Angel, Palmer and
Dodge

Paul Haley, Senior Vice President, Lehman Brothers

David Shapiro, Senior Policy Advisor, Holland and Knight

Lisa Signori, CFO, City of Boston

Eric Turner, former Executive Director Massachusetts State Lottery

Economic Development

Chair, Andrea Silbert, Co-Founder & Former CEO, Center for Women and Enterprise
Chair, Dorothy Terrell, CEO, Initiative For a Competitive Inner City
Mara G. Aspinall, President, Genzyme Genetics
Allan W. Blair, CEO, Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts
Elliot Carr, Cape Cod Business Roundtable
William H. Davis, Founding Chairman and CEO, ZE-gen, Inc.
Mark Farber, Founder and Vice President of Strategic Planning, Evergreen Solar, Inc.
Peter V. Forman, CEO, South Shore Chamber of Commerce
David P. Forsberg, President, Worcester Business Development Corporation
George M. Gendron, Entrepreneur-in-Residence, Clark University, Kauffman Foundation
Carlos Gonzalez, CEO, Massachusetts Latino Chamber of Commerce
Norm Gorin, CFO, Analysis Group
Robert J. Haynes, President, MA AFL-CIO
John Jenkins, President, West Insurance Agency of Massachusetts
Jim Klocke, Executive Vice President, Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce
Alvaro Lima, Director of Research, Boston Redevelopment Authority
Mark E. Reilly, Vice President for Government and Community Relations, Comcast Corp.
Jim Segel, Founding Partner, Smith, Segal, & Sowalsky
Robert Smyth, CEO, Citizens Bank of Massachusetts
Micho Spring, Chair, Weber Shandwick Company
Dave Tibbetts, Co-Founder, Merrimack Valley Economic Development Council Inc.
Susan Whitehead, Vice Chair, Whitehead Institute
Michael Wilcox, CEO & Founder, Alford Associates, Inc.

Education, pre-K-12

Chair, Tom Payzant, Former superintendent, Boston Public Schools
Chair, Dennis Berkey, President, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Margaret Blood, President & Campaign Director, Early Education for All
Dr. Charles Conroy, Executive Director, Doctor Franklin Perkins School
Chris Gabrieli, Co-founder and Chairman, Mass 20/20
Jim Marini, Superintendent, Winchester Public Schools
Neil McKittrick, Director, Goulston & Storrs
Janet Palmer Owens, Elementary Principal, Mason School
Paul Reville, Executive Director, Rennie Center for Education Research
Henry M. Thomas III, President & CEO, Urban League of Springfield
Ethan d'Ablemont Burnes Policy Director, Boston Plan for Excellence

Higher Education

Chair, Jackie Jenkins Scott, President, Wheelock College

Chair, Margaret McKenna, President, Lesley University

John Bassett, President, Clark University, Worcester

Phil Clay, Chancellor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Michael Collins, Chancellor, UMASS-Boston

Dan Esquino, President, Mount Wachusett Community College

Mary Fifield, President, Bunker Hill Community

Nancy Harrington, President, Salem State College

Dana Mohler-Faria, President, Bridgewater State College

Mahesh Sharma, President, Cambridge College

Alan Solomont, CEO, Solomont Bailis Ventures

Richard Freeland, Visiting Professor of Higher Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education

Fernando Reimers, Director, International Education Policy Program Harvard University

Energy and the Environment

Chair, Jim Gomes, President, Environmental League of Massachusetts

Chair, Sue Tierney, Managing Principal, Analysis Group, Inc.

Kathy Abbott, Former DCR Director, Conservation and Recreation Campaign

Ann Berwick, Attorney, M.J. Bradley & Associates

Ian Bowles, President, MassINC.

John DeVillars, Environmentalist, Bluewave Strategies

Vivian Li, Boston Harbor Association

Susan Nickerson, Executive Director, Alliance for Nantucket Sound

Amy Perlmutter, Environmental Consultant

Andy Savitz, President, Sustainable Business Strategies

Nick Stavropolous, Executive Vice President, Keyspan Corporation

Greg Watson, Vice President for Sustainable Development and Renewable Resources, Massachusetts Technology Collaborative

Henry Yoshimura, Manager of Demand Response, ISO New England Inc.

Joe Nolan, Senior Vice President, NSTAR

Joe Newman, Vice President of Massachusetts Public Affairs, National Grid

Health Care

Chair, Tom Glynn, COO, Partners Health Care

Chair, Cleve Killingsworth, CEO, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts

Chair, Jim Hunt, President and CEO, Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers

Dr. Margarita Alegria, Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Center for Multicultural Mental Health Research Cambridge Health Alliance
Carol Dilliplane, CNO/Vice President, Patient Care Services, Jordan Hospital
Charlie Goheen, Vice President and CFO, Fallon Community Health Plan
Phil Johnston, Chairman of the Board, Mass Health Policy Forum
Melissa Shannon, Policy Coordinator, Health Care for All
Mark Tolosky, President, Bay State Health
Dr. M. Idali Torres, Assistant Professor, School of Public Health, UMASS-Amherst
Tom Traylor, Vice President of Federal, State, Local Programs, Boston Medical Center
Bill Walczak, Executive Director, Program Codman Square Health Center
Sue Windham Bannister, Managing Vice President, Abt Associates
Richard Charette, President, UFCW Local 1445
Christine Schuster, President & CEO, Emerson Hospital
Jim Roosevelt, President and CEO, Tufts Health Plan
Dr. Robert Master, Founder, Urban Medical Group

Housing

Chair, David Abromowitz, Senior Partner, Goulston and Storrs
Chair, Patrick Lee, Trinity Financial
John Barros, Executive Director, Dudley Street Initiative
Barry Bluestone, Dean, School of Social Science, Urban Affairs and Public Policy, Northeastern University
Mark Cregan, President, Stonehill College
Aaron Gornstein, Executive Director, CHAPA
Dennis Kanin, Principal, New Boston Ventures
Jenny Netzer, Principal, MMA Financial
Stephen Teasdale, Executive Director, Main South Community
Mark Erlich, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, New England Regional Council of Carpenters
Joe Feaster, Attorney, McKenzie and Associates PC
Ana Luna, Executive Director, Arlington Community Trabajando

Human Services

Chair, Reverend Richard Richardson, President Emeritus, Children's Services of Roxbury
Chair, Marylou Sudders, President & CEO, Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children
Randall Rucker, Executive Director, Family Services of Greater Boston
Sue Marsh, Executive Director, Rosie's Place
George Bachrach, Attorney & Professor, Boston University
David Wizansky, President, Specialized Housing
Lauren Smith, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Boston University School of Medicine and Medical Director – Legal Partnership for Children, Boston Medical Center

Jerry Desilets, Director of Planning, SMOC
Maurice Boisvert, President and CEO, YOU, Inc.
Frank Ollivierre, Former Secretary of Elder Affairs
Mark Edwards, Managing Partner, Edwards and Co.
Milton Little, President & CEO, United Way of Massachusetts Bay & Merrimac Valley
Deborah C. Jackson, Chief Executive Officer, American Red Cross of Massachusetts Bay
Robert P. Dwyer, Executive Director, Central Massachusetts Agency on Aging
Charles Carr, Executive Director, Northeast Independent Living Program, Inc.

Local Government

Chair, Mayor Thomas Menino, Boston
Chair, Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone, Somerville
Chair, Mayor Clare Higgins, Northhampton
Mayor John Barrett, III, North Adams
Mayor Kimberley Driscoll, Salem
Mayor Edward Lambert, Jr., Fall River
Mayor Scott Lang, New Bedford
Mayor William F. Martin, Jr., Lowell
Mayor Michael J. McGlynn, Medford
Mayor Robert G. Nunes, Taunton
Mayor Gerald E. St. Hilaire, Gardner
Mayor Richard K. Sullivan, Jr., Westfield
Mayor Kenneth E. Reeves, Cambridge
Mayor James M. Ruberto, Pittsfield
Mayor Nancy Stevens, Marlborough

Technology

Chair, Charles SteelFisher, New Media Director, Deval Patrick Committee
Chair, Richard Rowe, CEO, Rowe Communications
Brian Burke, Microsoft
John Cullinane, Principal, The Cullinane Group
Louis Gutierrez, former State CIO and Director of ITD
Keith Parent, CEO, Court Square
David Lewis, Private Consultant
Larry Weber, Chairman, W2 Group

Public Safety and Security

Chair, Gary Gemme, Chief of Police, Worcester
Chair, Don Stern, Partner, Bingham McCutchen LLP
Mark Robinson, Partner, Bingham McCutchen LLP
Paul Joyce, Superintendent, Boston Police

James Alan Fox, Lipman Family Professor of Criminal Justice, Northeastern University
Reverend William Dickerson, Tabernacle Church
Ben Thompson, Director of Computing Services, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Bill Scoble, Chief of Police, Westwood
Josh Wall, Suffolk County District Attorney
Juliette Kayyem, Lecturer in Public Policy, Kennedy School of Government Harvard
Brandyn Keating, Executive Director, Criminal Justice Policy Coalition

Hugh Cameron, President, MassCops
Minister Don Mohammed, Nation of Islam, Boston

Transportation

Chair, Jane Garvey, Executive Vice President, APCO-Transportation Division
Chair, Stephanie Pollack, Senior Research Associate, Northeastern University Center for Urban and Regional Policy
Joseph Aiello, Senior Vice President, DMJM+Harris
Fred Salvucci, Senior Research Associate, MIT Center for Transportation and Logistics
Dan Wolf, President and CEO, Cape Air
Robin Chase, Co-founder, Zipcar
Richard Dimino, President and CEO, A Better City
Margo Fenn, Executive Director, Cape Cod Commission
Young Park, President and Principal, Berkeley Investments, Inc.
Peter Picknelly, CEO, Peter Pan Buslines

Civic Engagement

Chair, Gail Snowden, Vice President for Finance and Operations, Boston Foundation
Chair, David Kravitz, Moderator and Co-founder, BlueMassGroup.com

Alan Khazei, CEO, City Year
Nancy O'Connor Stolberg, Field Director, Deval Patrick Committee
Ron Bell, Deputy Campaign Manager, Deval Patrick Committee
Mardee Xifaras, Community Activist, Marion
Dick Glovsky, Partner, Prince, Lobel, and Glovsky
Tripp Jones, Senior Vice President, The Mentor Network
Bishop Walter Weekes, Suffragan Apostolic Church
David Roach, Superintendent, Millbury Schools
Maureen Curley, CEO, Civic/Brown
Eric Schwartz, CEO, Citizen Schools
Harris Gruman, Director, Neighbor 2 Neighbor
Cam Kerry, Attorney, Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky and Popeo PC

Carlos Ferre, Principal, Melton Ferre Associates LLC

Workforce Development

Chair, Andrew Sum, Director, Northeastern University Center for Labor Market Studies

Chair, Paul Harrington, Associate Director, Northeastern University Center for Labor Market Studies

Carole Cowan, President, Middlesex Community College

Beverly Edgehill, President and CEO, Partnership, Inc.

Robert J. Haynes, President, MA AFL-CIO

Gunnar Hexum, President, Massachusetts School of Infotech

Gary Kaplan, Executive Director, JFY Networks

Debi Kenney, Business Administrator, Diman Regional Vocational School

George Noel, Business Manager, IBEW Local 1505

Cathy Minehan, President, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

Dorothy Stoneman, Director and Founder, Youthbuild USA

Gary Sullivan, President, Utility Workers Local 369

Michael Taylor, President, Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology

Robert Thomas, President and CEO, Martin Luther King, Jr. Business Empowerment Center

Creative Economy

Chair, Jill Medvedow, Director, Boston Institute of Contemporary Arts

Nancy Brennan, Executive Director, Rose K. Fitzgerald Greenway

John Delova, President and CEO, Basketball Hall of Fame

Ron Druker, Owner, Colonnade Hotel

Barbara Grossman, Chair, Drama and Dance Department, Tufts University

Sheila Martinez Pina, Executive Director, Bristol Tourism Council

Beverly Morgan Welch, Executive Director, Museum of African American History

Wendy Norcross, CEO, Cape Cod Chamber, West Barnstable

Jim Rooney, CEO, MCCA

Helen Spaulding, North Shore Arts Activist

Joe Thomas, Publisher, Spinner Magazine

Joe Thompson, CEO, Mass MOCA

James A. Welu, Director, Worcester Art Museum

Jan Del Sesto, General Director, Boston Lyric Opera

Katherine Sloan, President, Massachusetts College of Art