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**DESTEFANO CAMPAIGN TO OFFER ELECTION DAY RIDES
WITH METRO TAXI'S NEW "METROACCESS" VEHICLE**

NEW HAVEN – Mayor John DeStefano's re-election campaign, in conjunction with Metro Taxi, announced today that the DeStefano campaign will offer Election Day rides to the polls in "MetroAccess," the first wheelchair-accessible Taxi in the State of Connecticut.

"Mayor DeStefano has been a leader in bringing disabilities services to the people of New Haven," said campaign manager Keya Jayaram. "In this campaign, we want to make sure that every person who wishes to exercise his or her right to vote has the opportunity to do so."

DeStefano established the City's Department of Services for Persons with Disabilities, which works tirelessly in pursuit of mission to effectively coordinate resources for people with disabilities and to ensure that the City of New Haven complies with all regulations pertaining to persons with disabilities. Among other responsibilities, the Department works to accommodate individuals with disabilities utilizing City services, provide case coordination services and conduct disability awareness training for various organizations and institutions both inside and outside City government.

Individuals in wheelchairs who would like to vote on November 3rd and require transportation between their place of residence and their polling location can call the DeStefano campaign headquarters to arrange a round-trip ride in MetroAccess. The DeStefano campaign can be reached at 203-787-9153 or info@destefano2009.com.

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