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(BIRMINGHAM, AL., May 2017) - The Birmingham-Jefferson County Transit Authority (BJCTA) is excited to share that the longest serving member of its Board, Johnnye P. Lassiter, was the recipient of the Fusion "MAX Transit Connector" award. This award recognizes extraordinary community leaders. Director Lassiter currently serves on the Board as the Secretary/ Treasurer. She is passionate about public transit and the city of Bessemer. "I can't think of a more deserving person to win this award. We are extremely proud of Director Lassiter," said BJCTA Executive Director, Barbara Murdock.

Fusion is produced by Summit Media Entertainment. It is the gathering of passionate, innovators and leaders who challenge the status quo, honor achievement and celebrate diversity. The awards were held Friday, May 5, 2017.