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## RTD takes action to deter illegal racing at Westminster Station

Agency to temporarily close top level of Westminster Station parking garage until further notice

DENVER (Dec. 15, 2021) — The <u>Regional Transportation District (RTD)</u> will close the top level of the Westminster Station parking structure beginning Thursday, Dec. 16, to deter recent illegal street racing activities that have occurred at that location. The closure will remain in place as RTD considers additional courses of action.

The closure of the top level of the four-story parking structure is not expected to impact RTD customers. The 1,000-space garage is not being used to full capacity due to residual impacts brought about by the pandemic.

Emphasizing that safety is paramount to any transit system, RTD General Manager and CEO Debra A. Johnson said, "The closure of the parking structure's fourth level is to mitigate the unwelcomed and unlawful activity that has plagued Westminster's residents as well as to ensure the safety of RTD's customers and community, in addition to those who are participating in this reckless behavior."

RTD's transit police division is working in close coordination with local law enforcement to deter these street racing activities on RTD property. Johnson encourages anyone who observes unlawful activity to call RTD Transit Police at 303.299.2911.

## **ABOUT RTD**

The Regional Transportation District develops, operates and maintains a public transportation system that meets the transit needs of close to 3 million people within an eight-county service area in the Denver Metro region. RTD's buses, rail lines, shuttles and additional services provide approximately 100 million annual passenger trips. For more information, visit <a href="mailto:rtd-denver.com">rtd-denver.com</a>, call 303-299-6000 and follow along on social media: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/RideRTD">www.facebook.com/RideRTD</a>, <a href="mailto:@RideRTD">@RideRTD</a> on Twitter, <a href="mailto:@ridertd">@ridertd</a> on Instagram and <a href="mailto:rideRTDco">rideRTDco</a> on YouTube. For the most current RTD news, visit the News Stop, at <a href="mailto:rtd-denver.com/news-stop">rtd-denver.com/news-stop</a>.

