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KEEP NYC CONGESTION TAX FREE COMMENTS ON CITY COUNCIL NON-VOTE

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The MTA action clearly supports our view that all that is being promised is not guaranteed.

And it is obvious that the Speaker's Office does not have the votes on congestion pricing which is why they did not act today.

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ABOUT KEEP NYC CONGESTION TAX FREE

Keep NYC Congestion Tax Free represents a diverse coalition of civic, business and labor organizations and businesses throughout New York City. We share a simple vision: to keep our city congestion tax free. Our members oppose the \$8 fee (\$21 for trucks) the Mayor proposes to impose on drivers entering Manhattan below 86th Street. Our members urge New Yorkers to deliver a simple message to our legislators: "Say no to the fee the Mayor wants to charge us to enter Manhattan." Many supporters and coalition members propose alternatives to the congestion tax that better address traffic issues in our entire city and provide new sources to support mass transit. For more information, visit keepnycfree.com.