Keep NYC Free thanks the Comproller, Borough President Markowitz, Senators Adams and Stavisky, Senator-elect Squadron, Assemblyman Peralta and Councilmen Weprin and Liu for their support on this important matter of public policy.



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THOMPSON, ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM ACROSS CITY, OPPOSE EAST RIVER TOLLS

Joined by City and State legislators, New York City Comptroller William C. Thompson, Jr. expressed his opposition to tolls on the East and Harlem River bridges and promoted his proposal for a weight-based automobile fee as a more equitable revenue stream.

Thompson renewed his call in the wake of Thursday's report by the Commission on Metropolitan Transportation Authority Financing calling for measures to address shrinking revenue at the MTA. Plans calls for new tolls, a payroll tax, cuts in subway, bus and commuter rail service, and a potential fare hike.

Expected to join Thompson today were: Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz, State Assembly Members Joan L. Millman and Jose R. Peralta, Senators Eric Adams, Kevin S. Parker and Toby Ann Stavisky, Senator-elect Daniel L. Squadron, and Council Members John C. Liu and David I. Weprin.

Read the entire release and view a photo of the news conference at http://www.comptroller.nyc.gov/press/2008 releases/pr08-12-175.shtm