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Keep NYC Responds to New York Times Editorial: "Thanks a Lot, Albany"

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To the editor:

Keep NYC Free shares with the The New York Times that, "Commuters across the New York City area should be spared the stunning fare increases and service cuts" the MTA voted for today (Editorial: "Thanks a Lot, Albany," March 25, 2009). The MTA vote and the inability to pass the flawed toll-tax reliant Ravitch plan makes it compelling to pass the sound alternatives advocated by our coalition of civic, business and labor organizations. No other transit finance plan avoids the deleterious impact of packing even more riders like Sardines into already over-capacity subway cars that surely will result if the toll-taxers get their way and tolls were impose on the extensions of our city streets known as our free bridges across the East River and Harlem River.

Please visit www.KeepNYCFree.com to read our proposals and urge our electeds officials to embrace these alternatives, which unlike the Ravitch scheme, avoids <u>any</u> reliance on a fare hike.

Sincerely,

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Read the entire editorial:

http://www.nytimes.com/2009/03/25/opinion/25wed3.html? r=1&ref=opinion