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*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL SPEAKER CHRISTINE C. QUINN, COUNCIL MEMBER JIMMY VAN BRAMER AND ASSEMBLY MEMBER CATHERINE T. NOLAN WILL HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE TO PROTEST THE DISRUPTION OF THE 7 SUBWAY LINE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 22ND, AT THE VERNON BLVD. SUBWAY STATION

Demand more comprehensive shuttle service during subway disruptions including a direct link to Grand Central Station and improve the public awareness campaign to allow residents more time to prepare for disruptions

New York City Council Speaker Christine C. Quinn, Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer and Assembly Member Catherine T. Nolan will stand with Community Board 2, small businesses, community organizations and residents to tell the MTA that closing down the 7 subway line for seven weekends is unacceptable, and the shuttle service provided as an alternative is completely inadequate. The Speaker, Council Member and Assembly Member are calling on the MTA to provide express bus service through the tunnel to Grand Central and to shed light on the crippling affect these closures have on small businesses and commuters.

Please see the accompanying letter to Jay Walder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the MTA, urgently requesting a meeting to discuss shuttle alternatives and the introduction of a more comprehensive public awareness campaign to alert citizens to subway closures.

WHEN: Friday, January 22nd, 7:30 a.m.

WHERE: Vernon Blvd Subway Station on the 7 Subway Line
North East Corner of 50th Ave and Vernon Blvd.
Long Island City, NY 11106

WHO: Speaker Christine C. Quinn, Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer, Assembly Member Catherine T. Nolan, Community Board 2, Small Business Owners and Community Organizations

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