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Song Remains The Same (Still)

As we have <u>posted</u> at <u>KeepNYCFree.com</u>,

Periodically, someone speaks, perhaps from the hip, ignorant of local history and politics, without doing the research, or choosing to ignore the undisputed facts. And Keep NYC Free responds to properly educate the misinformed one and anyone who might accept the misinformation.

While we agree that our electeds must treat transit seriously, toll-tax schemes represent nothing serious when we must focus on revenue. Those who claim to be about "fair tolling and transportation reinvestment" ignore the record about the City residents who use the free roads that connect Manhattan to Brooklyn, Queens and The Bronx. This toll-tax scheme asks these city residents to bear a cost nearly \$11 (\$15 cash) per day.

Keep NYC Free (KeepNYCFree.com) <u>documented</u> that any toll-tax <u>scheme</u> fails to raise the revenues needed, offers no benefits and hurts the economy. It certainly will not move New York. Yet these social engineers persist. It ought to be about what makes sense, not what appeals to some ideological bent.

Those so-called advocates would better move New York if they embraced Keep NYC Free's already <u>documented alternatives</u> that both raise substantial funds for the MTA and also resources the City and State to renew and increase the contributions they should make to support the MTA, especially its capital plan.

This ill-conceived <u>scheme</u> that claims to move New York just exists as a <u>subterfuge</u> to institute <u>tolling</u> across free bridges that extend city streets across the Harlem and East Rivers.

See: <u>Group to Promote Revised Plan for Tolls on East River Bridges</u> (New York Times) and <u>Congestion traffic pricing back on table, could change toll prices on Manhattan's bridges</u> (Daily News)