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August 4, 2021

The Honorable Timothy M. Kennedy
Transportation Committee Chair
New York State Senate
LOB - Room 708
Albany, NY 12248

Dear Senator Kennedy,

Yesterday, Attorney General Letitia James released the results of her investigation into the allegations of sexual misconduct by Governor Cuomo.

To quote your reaction to the findings in her report, "I said it 6 months ago, and stand by it today tenfold. The @NewYorkStateAG's investigation shows a clear pattern of unethical, inappropriate, and downright disgusting behavior. The courageous women who shared their stories deserve justice and accountability. Resign." I fully support your position on calling for his resignation.

Included in the report are two current MTA Board members, Larry Schwartz and Linda Lacewell, who were recommended by the Governor and confirmed by your committee, who aided and abetted the governor in perpetrating this disgusting and possibly criminal behavior against these women. I am asking that as the Chair of the Transportation Committee you ask for their resignations or have them both removed from the MTA Board.

Through his micromanaging, bullying and board appointments, Governor Cuomo has succeeded in forcing out all of the transportation professionals, most notably Andy Byford, that are so critically important in running this great and complex transportation system. His resignation and the resignation of his board appointees will benefit the MTA as well as its employees and customers.

Please contact me if you need any additional information on this or any other issue. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Vincent Modafferi
President

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Senator, Leroy Comrie
Assemblywomen, Amy Paulin
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