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RE: 39th Street Bus Stop Resolution

At the June 2nd, 2026, meeting of the Queens Community Board 2 Transportation Committee, a resolution was passed requesting NYC DOT and the MTA initiate a feasibility study for a capital project to move the MTA bus stop and boarding island at 39th St and Queens Blvd to the northwestern corner of 39th Pl and Queens Blvd, thereby retaining all the safety and traffic organization benefits of a far-side bus boarding island while also listening to the community and keeping the bus stop on the same block as Sunnyside Community Services, so that no visitor there need cross the 39th St intersection, which is a busy and relatively unsafe truck route crossing. The resolution passed unanimously with no abstentions. The resolution follows:

WHEREAS the MTA bus is the most accessible and equitable mode of transportation in New York City; and

WHEREAS Sunnyside Community Services has long served our district by providing essential programs to all, including the most vulnerable and in need, and serves a large population of seniors and the differently-abled; and

WHEREAS the Q32/Q60 bus stop at Queens Blvd. and 39th St. has stood on the northeast corner for many years, offering a transit stop near Sunnyside Community Services with zero conflict with automobiles; and

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WHEREAS there are no accessible train stations near Sunnyside Community Services, even after the elevators will be installed at the 33rd St. and 46th St. stations, several blocks and crossings away; and

WHEREAS the DOT and MTA have resolved to move the bus stop across 39th St., a two-way truck route and harried crossing with automobiles and micromobility vehicles turning from Queens Blvd; and

WHEREAS the many clients of Sunnyside Community Services have requested the bus stop remain where it has been; and

WHEREAS we have been grateful that DOT has been receptive to the community's fears and made the crossing at 39th St. safer; and

WHEREAS we have requested further safety improvements on 39th St., especially a mid-block crossing far from turning vehicles, as well as raised crosswalks and a Leading Pedestrian Interval at the traffic signals; and

WHEREAS the cause of the move is the construction of a bus boarding island at this location, which we are in support of as it will organize bus, bike, and automobile traffic and make the roadway safer for all; and

WHEREAS the construction of a bus boarding island at the northeast corner of Queens Blvd. and 39th St. requires capital funding to relocate street utilities and a manhole; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that Queens Community Board 2 requests a feasibility study for building a bus boarding island on Queens Blvd. and 39th Place at the northwest corner, thus retaining the safety improvements of a far-side bus boarding island, as well as keeping the bus stop on the block nearest Sunnyside Community Services; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that Queens CB2 requests capital funding for this project if it is feasible; and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED that DOT continue to monitor the safety of the crossing on 39th St. at Queens Blvd., as the community here has loudly and tenaciously decried the new dangers presented by forcing a vulnerable population to cross this treacherous pass.

Sincerely,



Anatole Ashraf
Chairperson, CB2



Reilly Owens
Chair, Transportation Committee

Cc: Hon. Grace Meng, US Congress
Hon. Nydia Velazquez, US Congress
Hon. Michael Gianaris, NYS Senate
Hon. Kristen Gonzalez, NYS Senate
Hon. Steven Raga, NYS Assembly
Hon. Claire Valdez, NYS Assembly
Hon. Julie Won, NYC Council
Hon. Shekar Krishnan, NYC Council Member
Hon. Donovan Richards, Queens Borough President
Nicole Garcia, NYC DOT
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