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## **Congestion Pricing = Bad Idea**

In a Daily New op-ed today, Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr. makes clear that the Move NY scheme "amounts to congestion pricing by another name."

Just as past congestion taxers put forth inaccurate pronouncements to prop just another tax scheme, the exposure of this latest unfair and inequitable scheme to impose tolls on the free East River bridges "is likely a "Trojan Horse," according to the Borough President.

"It is not fair to place a regressive tax on those who can least afford it," writes President Diaz. "It is not fair to imply that outer borough tolls will remain low forever." Read the op-ed.

Better ways exist to develop sound revenue streams for transportation. Keep NYC Free calls on those involved with Move NY to embrace these sensible funding alternatives.

These taxers already tried to advance their scheme as a cure all to pedestrian fatalities. Keep NYC exposed that myth.

Keep NYC continues to debunk all arguments that any congestion tax, makes sense with regard to revenue or even relieves congestion.

As we stated last month, "[D]espite the claims we submit nothing justifies a scheme that likely results in little or no net revenues after including the costs of administration. And that goes before the truly negative economic costs of this blatant tax scheme. No amount of messaging can correct this faulty policy."

It's time these scheme stop acting, to paraphrase John Fogerty's lyrics in Mystic Highway, like city slickers looking to take our money.