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## ***Still, The Song Remains The Same***

### **Statement by Corey Bearak, senior policy advisor for Keep NYC Congestion Tax Free**

"While we agree that our electeds must treat support for transit seriously, [toll-tax schemes](#) represent nothing serious when we must focus on [revenue](#)," stated Corey Bearak, senior policy advisor for Keep NYC Congestion Tax Free. 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 just above \$11 (\$11.08; \$16 cash) per day."

"Keep NYC Free (KeepNYCFree.com) [documented](#) that any toll-tax scheme 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."

[Editor's note: above delivered at a news conference on the Queens side of the still-free [Edward I. Koch Queensborough Bridge](#) called by NYS Assembly Member David Weprin to oppose the MoveNY [scheme](#). Other speakers included representatives of the [Queens Chamber of Commerce](#), [Queens Civic Congress](#), Small Business Congress and the Glen Oaks Village Cooperative. View a picture on the next page.]

[Read](#) the release from Assemblyman David Weprin.



Assemblyman David Weprin (center) with (left to right) Richard C.Hellenbrecht, Queens Civic Congress; Corey Bearak, Keep NYC Congestion Tax Free; Harbachan Singh, Queens Civic Congress; Vincent Petraro, Queens Chamber of Commerce; Steve Barrison, Small Business Congress; Bob Friedrich, Glen Oaks Village Co-op [Photo by Dan Cho, courtesy of Assembly Member Weprin's office]