

the system, re-opening closed subway station entrances could help relieve congestion and bottlenecks at heavily-used entrances; and

Whereas, Local businesses located near re-opened entrances would likely benefit from an increase in pedestrian activity and many riders would have access to more conveniently-located station entrances; and

Whereas, When entrances, stations, or entire lines need to be closed for construction, such as the upcoming repairs planned for the Canarsie Tube on the L line, re-opening closed entrances at other stations to which riders might be diverted could alleviate potential overcrowding; and

Whereas, With so many station entrances currently closed that could potentially be re-opened, the MTA should conduct a comprehensive study of the issue with the goal of re-opening as many entrances as is feasible, while prioritizing those locations that would have the greatest potential positive impact on riders and the surrounding areas; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the Metropolitan Transportation Authority to institute a process for opening closed subway station entrances.

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