

Legislation Text

File #: Res 0461-2023, Version: *

Res. No. 461

Resolution calling upon the Metropolitan Transportation Authority to allow seniors and people with disabilities to receive fare discounts on express buses during rush hours, between the hours of 6 am to 10 am and between 3 pm and 7 pm on Monday through Friday.

By Council Members Holden, Louis, Stevens, Restler, Farías, Richardson Jordan and Schulman

Whereas, Currently eligible seniors, those 65 and older, and people with disabilities can ride the local

bus and subway for the half-price fare any time of the day; and

Whereas, However, seniors and people with disabilities are not eligible for the half-price fare on express

bus service during rush hours; and

Whereas, With recent changes to decrease door-to-door service and to increase Access-A-Ride's feeder

service to and from fixed routes, it is crucial that seniors and people with disabilities have access to alternative

forms of transportation; and

Whereas, Many seniors and people with disabilities live on a fixed income; and

Whereas, The express bus base fare has risen from \$5.00 in 2010 to \$6.75 currently and biannual MTA

fare increases are scheduled to continue; and

Whereas, The lack of rush hour discounted fares discourages some seniors and people with disabilities from being more active; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the Metropolitan Transportation Authority to allow seniors and people with disabilities to receive fare discounts on express buses during rush hours, between the hours of 6 am to 10 am and between 3 pm and 7 pm on Monday through Friday.

<u>Session 12</u> RA LS #2362 12/15/2022

File #: Res 0461-2023, Version: *

<u>Session 11</u> JM LS #99 Res. #108-2018