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Senator Rivera Congratulates Freddy Ferrer on Nomination to the MTA, Praises Governor Cuomo for Appointment

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Senator Gustavo Rivera (D,WF-Bronx) today issued the following statement regarding the nomination of Fernando Ferrer by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority:

"I would like to congratulate former Bronx Borough President Freddy Ferrer on his nomination to become a member of the board of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and applaud Governor Cuomo for his selection of such a well-suited and accomplished public servant to take on this task. I am thrilled that Governor Cuomo has made this selection and will be working to make sure that each and every legislator is aware of Freddy's lifetime of public service that make him an excellent choice to serve on the board of the MTA.

As Bronx Borough President and as a member of the New York City Council, Freddy represented working families in the Bronx who not only use, but depend on, public transportation to get to and from work everyday. I had the honor of working for Freddy in 2005 on his Mayoral race and have been fortunate to have his friendship and guidance throughout my career. I am excited for Freddy, but I am especially excited for the state of New York, that we will have Freddy Ferrer advocating for the millions of us, who as New

Yorkers, utilize the services of the MTA.”

Fernando Ferrer was born and raised in the South Bronx. Ferrer served as Bronx Borough President from 1987-2001 and a New York City Mayoral candidate in 2001 and 2005. In addition, he was a member of the New York City Council from 1982 to 1987.