

Senator Hoylman Announces Plans To Mandate Full 24/7 MTA Subway Service Once COVID-19 Crisis Ends

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NEW YORK—Today, it was announced that the New York City subway will stop running a full 24/7 schedule because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

State Senator Brad Hoylman, Chair of the Judiciary Committee, released the following statement in response:

"The city that never sleeps needs a 24/7 subway system. It's the lifeblood of our city—a public utility that keeps New York City moving at all hours of the day and night.

"If the public health experts believe we should temporarily close the subway overnight, I respect their decision. But once this crisis is over, the MTA must immediately restore the 24/7 service New Yorkers have relied on for decades.

"In the coming days, I plan to introduce legislation that will require the MTA to resume 24/7 service on the New York City subway after a declared end to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We cannot let this virus leave behind a city that is less vibrant, less connected or less equitable than it was before."