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July 18, 2014

William Bratton
Commissioner
New York Police Department
1 Police Plaza
New York, NY 10007

Polly Trottenberg
Commissioner
New York City Department of Transportation
55 Water Street
New York, NY 10041

Dear Commissioner Bratton and Commissioner Trottenberg:

On behalf of my constituents, I would like to applaud the New York Police Department (NYPD) and Department of Transportation's (DOT) decision to begin enforcing the permitting of intercity buses which operate in New York City. As you are well aware, illegally parked buses have been a consistent cause of street congestion, sidewalk overcrowding, and pedestrian safety, among other problems.

While Chinatown has been a major focus of the conversation regarding illegal buses, many areas of the city, including Hell's Kitchen and Midtown in my Senate District, are also subjected to the stresses that such illegally operated buses bring to our streets. Specifically, I have received complaints that several bus companies whose permits have lapsed, including Fuji, Three Aces and Galaxy, have continued to load and unload passengers on 42nd Street between 8th and 9th Avenues, endlessly idling and blocking the MTA dedicated lane there.

While I appreciate the economic benefits that these buses bring to New York, in addition to the low-cost options they provide to New Yorkers looking to travel outside the city, I do not believe we should sacrifice the safety and order of our pedestrian and



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vehicular traffic in exchange for those benefits. Thus I particularly appreciate NYPD and DOT's commitment to strong, citywide enforcement of intercity bus permits.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Brad Hoylman", with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Brad Hoylman
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cc: Manhattan Community Board 4
Christine Berthet, CHEKPEDS