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## **Governor Cuomo Announces Resignation**

New York Governor Andrew Cuomo announced his resignation on Tuesday. Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul will become the first female governor of New York, effective two weeks from today. In response, Renae Reynolds, Executive Director of Tri-State Transportation Campaign, released the following statement:

"With Governor Cuomo's resignation, we expect a flux in leadership of New York's most powerful agencies, including the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey, and Empire State Development. This comes at a critical time for public transit riders, who desperately need more efficient and reliable service.

"It is not yet clear how Governor Cuomo's announcement will impact New York's infrastructure projects, including Penn Station redevelopment and the LaGuardia AirTrain, but we look forward to working with Governor Hochul to ensure that New Yorkers receive the best return on their investment.

"New York City's congestion pricing plan is mission critical for generating a new revenue stream for the MTA, reducing traffic congestion in Manhattan, and cutting greenhouse gas emissions. As the city recovers from the Covid-19 pandemic, the new governor must move quickly to implement congestion pricing fully and fairly, provide more frequent subway, bus, and commuter rail service, and build out a more accessible transit network."

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