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AND THE NOMINEES ARE:

Bus Turnaround Coalition Announces 10 NYC Streets Slowing Down Bus Riders

New York, NY - The Bus Turnaround Coalition has identified the top ten NYC streets that should get new bus lanes or other street design fixes in 2017. These ten bus routes suffer from clear disparities in peak and off-peak travel times, indicating that buses are bogging down in traffic congestion during commute periods. The routes collectively carry a quarter of a million New Yorkers who each day face slow, unreliable commutes to work, school, and important appointments.

It doesn't have to be this way. City government has proven street design tools that can speed these bus routes up.

The 10 routes we identify are primarily candidates for bus lanes. Additionally, the Bus Turnaround policy agenda calls for bus bulbs and boarding islands, optimized traffic signals and intersection "queue-jumps" where appropriate. We call on Mayor de Blasio and NYC DOT to prioritize improvements along these routes.

Such upgrades to bus routes are supported by 67% of New York City voters in a 2016 poll conducted by Transportation Alternatives.

We're calling for street improvements along the most troublesome areas of the following routes:

B41: Livingston Street, Cadman Plaza, Flatbush Avenue below Lincoln Ave
Bx19: Harlem 145th Street, 149th Street in the Bronx
Q58: Broadway, Corona, 108th Street
Bx28 & Bx38: Gun Hill Road
M57 and M31: 57th Street
Bx9: West Kingsbridge
M101: 3rd Avenue
Q66, Q69, Q100: 21st Street in LIC/Astoria
B35: Church Avenue
S48: Victory Boulevard

These routes feature high ridership, street profiles that in most cases can support new bus lanes, and a wide variance in travel times between peak and off-peak hours.

About the Bus Turnaround Coalition:

The Bus Turnaround Coalition is a group of diverse New Yorkers working to turning around the poor bus service that's plaguing NYC's bus system and the 2.5 million rides that are taken on it daily. We're promoting practical strategies that can be implemented quickly to make bus trips

faster and more reliable. See our recommended solutions here: http://transitcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/Turnaround_Fixing-NYCs-Buses-20July2016.pdf

Bus Turnaround Coalition Members:

TransitCenter (www.transitcenter.org) is a foundation committed to improving urban mobility through research, advocacy, and grantmaking that empowers communities, policymakers, and riders.

The Riders Alliance (www.ridersny.org) is a grassroots organization of subway and bus riders, pushing for better service at affordable fares and a stronger public investment in mass transit.

The Straphangers Campaign (www.straphangers.org) a project of the New York Public Interest Research Group, has advocated for New York's public transit system since 1979.

Tri-State Transportation Campaign (www.tstc.org) is a nonprofit advocacy organization working toward a more balanced, transit-friendly and equitable transportation network in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.