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May 7, 2018

Mr. Kevin J. O'Toole
Chairman
Port Authority of NY&NJ
4 World Trade Center
150 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10007

Dear Chairman O'Toole:

Bronx Community Board 1 calls upon the Port Authority of NY&NJ to widen the bicycle-pedestrian paths on the George Washington Bridge to comply with national standards as part of the upcoming \$1.9 billion reconstruction in order to support the growth of cycling throughout the region.

We believe that wider GWB paths will spur the development of connected cycling infrastructure over the Harlem River and across the Bronx. This will provide residents with opportunities for exercise and recreation, enhance public health, affordability, access to jobs and education, tourism, sustainability, resilience and support local commercial development.

We further believe that the upcoming reconstruction, during which the existing paths will be ripped out and restored represents the ideal opportunity to accomplish the widening.

Respectfully,

George Rodriguez
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District Manager

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