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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
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2314 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Eric Swalwell
Co-Chair, Steering and Policy Committee
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Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Barbara Lee
Co-Chair, Steering and Policy Committee
2267 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Co-Chairs of the Steering and Policy Committee:

I strongly urge you to consider Representative Adriano Espaillat for membership on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. This opening comes as a result of the Democrats winning the majority in the House during the 2018 midterm elections. If chosen, Representative Espaillat's leadership on the committee will be instrumental in executing key priorities of New York State.

In representing one of the most condensed districts in the country – and one with high public transportation needs – Representative Espaillat is keenly aware of the challenges facing New York and the nation's infrastructure. While serving in the New York State Assembly, he successfully advocated to expand transportation and infrastructure projects in his district and across the state. As Chair of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Transportation, Infrastructure, and Housing Taskforce, Representative Espaillat brings a unique perspective that expands far beyond his district.

New York State is the largest net donor state, sending \$48 billion more to federal government than it gets back in services. Federal transportation money is one of the largest flows of federal funding into New York. Again, I urge you to fill the opening with Representative Espaillat – our state needs another seat at the transportation table as this Administration continues its assault on the Empire State.

Sincerely,

ANDREW M. CUOMO

cc: House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi
The Honorable Adriano Espaillat

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