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Long Island Rail Road Commuter Council Elects Leadership

On May 9, 2013, The Long Island Rail Road Commuter Council (LIRRCC) held its election of officers for terms extending through May 2015. Mark J. Epstein, who represents Suffolk County on the LIRRCC, was unanimously reelected Chair, and Larry Rubinstein, who represents Nassau County on the LIRRCC, was unanimously elected Vice Chair.

Mark J. Epstein, of Melville, is the managing partner at the law firm of Pazer, Epstein & Jaffe, P.C. He earned a B.S. degree from The American University and his J.D. from New York Law School. He is a member of the Suffolk County Bar Association, Nassau County Bar Association, New York County Lawyers Association, and American Association for Justice, and sits on the Board of Directors of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association. He has been selected as one of NY's Super Lawyers for three years running. He also sits on the Infrastructure Work Group of the Long Island Regional Economic Council and The Long Island Association's LIA's Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee. He is a strong advocate of civil and human rights and has been appointed to the Suffolk County Human Rights Commission and Suffolk County's Jewish Advisory Board. He lives in Melville and commutes on the Ronkonkoma Branch.

Mr. Rubinstein is employed as Engineer in Charge for studios and mobile trucks with NEP Broadcasting. He had previously served as Studio Chief Engineer with Magno Sound & Video, after holding several other positions with the firm. Mr. Rubinstein also does freelance video engineer projects in his spare time. He presently assists Nassau Legislator Dave Denenberg's LIRR Advisory Committee, which meets quarterly. Mr. Rubinstein is an active voice in his community and works closely with schools, local civic associations and other community groups. He lives in North Bellmore and commutes on the Babylon Branch.

"The Long Island Rail Road stands at a crossroads, with projects like East Side Access and the Double Track from Ronkonkoma coming on line. We look forward to continuing and increasing our efforts to speak out for riders and to working tirelessly to improve conditions for LIRR riders and build a stronger, responsive and expanded transportation system." said Mr. Epstein.

ABOUT US: The Long Island Rail Road Commuter Council (LIRRCC) is the legislatively mandated representative of the ridership of MTA Long Island Rail Road. Our 12 volunteer members are regular Long Island Rail Road users and are appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of the Nassau and Suffolk County Executives and the Brooklyn and Queens Borough Presidents. To learn more about us, visit our homepage: www.lirrcc.org.