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\*Amended\* Rockaway-bound Marine Parkway Bridge Closed Overnight: Southbound Closure March 23 – 24 and Full Bridge Closure March 24 - 25

Q35 Bus is Exception

The Rockaway-bound (south) side of the Marine Parkway-Gil Hodges Memorial Bridge will be closed to traffic during overnight hours from 10pm on Thursday, March 23 through 5am Friday morning, March 24. There will be a full bridge closure (both directions) starting 11:59pm on Friday, March 24 until 5am Saturday, March 25. The necessary closures are needed in order to conduct a crane operation on both the South and North Towers. In addition, during the daytime hours one lane will be closed in both directions to accommodate the crane safety work zone.

During the Thursday night closure, all south-bound traffic will be detoured to the Cross Bay Veterans Memorial Bridge during the bridge closure hours. During the Friday night closure, all north- and south-bound traffic will be detoured to the Cross Bay Bridge. Note: The exception is Q35 bus, which will maintain normal route under facility escort on both nights. Signs will be in place advising motorists of the closure and detour coming off the bridge.

Motorists can sign up for MTA e-mail or text alerts at <a href="www.mta.info">www.mta.info</a> and check the Bridges and Tunnels homepage or Facebook page for the latest information on this planned work.

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