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Service Advisory for the Puerto Rican Day Parade and the 116th Street Festival

The weekend-long celebration of Puerto Rican heritage begins on Saturday, June 12th with The 116th Street (Abrazo Fraternal) Festival which will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on 116th Street between Lexington and Second Avenues and along Third Avenue between 106th Street and 122nd Street. Bus and subway customers in the area should allow extra time for their trips due to bus rerouting and exit only 6 station at 116th Street.

The 116th Street Festival is a very popular attraction with up to 50,000 people in attendance at any one time. Overall attendance for the day could reach upwards of 100,000. Due to an expected heavy concentration of customers, the 116th Street station (6) will be exit only in both directions from 12 noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 12th. Customers wishing to enter at 116th Street will be redirected to nearby stations on Lexington Avenue at 110th and 125th Streets. NYC Transit bus routes M101, M102, M103, and M116 will also be affected by street closures.

This year's National Puerto Rican Day Parade will be held on Sunday, June 13th from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. The annual parade usually attracts upwards of 2 million spectators along the route, which this year runs up Fifth Avenue from 44th Street to 79th Street. Due to the change in the parade's end point, the 77th Street 6 station will be exit only in both directions from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Parade-goers should use Fifth Avenue stations on the ENR and 7 lines. Additionally, NYC Transit will increase subway service on the 2456 and S (42nd Street shuttle) trains to accommodate spectators.

The following bus routes will be the most affected: M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M72, M66, M86, Q32. Other routes that will be affected in some way are: M31, M57, M79 and MTA Bus routes: BxM1, BxM2, BxM3, BxM4A, BxM4B, BxM6, BxM7, BxM7A, BxM9, BxM11, QM1A, QM2 and QM4.

For travel directions to either event, customers may call NYC Transit's Travel Information Center at 718 330 1234 or log on to www.mta.info.