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MTA LIRR OFFERS EXTRA SERVICE TO METS-WILLETS POINT FOR BILLY JOEL MOVIE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

The MTA Long Island Rail Road is the best way to get into a "New York State of Mind" on Saturday, August 21 when Billy Joel's "The Last Play at Shea" hits the golden screen at Citi Field. There will be extra eastbound and westbound LIRR service to the Mets-Willets Point station for the film crowd reliving the final concert at Shea Stadium by Long Island's own Billy Joel.

The movie start time is 8:00 PM. The following trains will stop at Mets-Willets Point for the show:

Eastbound (departing Penn Station at):

5:52 PM, 6:19 PM, 6:52 PM, 7:19 PM, 7:52 PM, 8:19 PM, 8:52 PM, 9:19 PM, 9:52 PM, 10:19 PM.

Westbound (departing Port Washington at):

5:43 PM, 6:10 PM, 6:43 PM, 7:10 PM, 7:43 PM, 8:10 PM, 8:43 PM, 9:10 PM, 9:43 PM, 10:10 PM.

Train service to Mets-Willets Point is available on eastbound Port Washington Branch trains from Penn Station and westbound trains from Great Neck and Port Washington. The train ride is just 19 minutes from Penn Station to Mets-Willets Point. For those traveling on the LIRR from Long Island, the ballpark is just seven minutes from Woodside, 17 minutes from Great Neck and 27 minutes from Port Washington. From Long Island, customers may travel directly to the stadium from Port Washington Branch stations. Customers from other branches should transfer at Woodside for service to Mets-Willets Point.

Fans traveling from branches other than Port Washington can reach Mets-Willets Point by taking a regularly scheduled train to Woodside Station, then changing to an eastbound Port Washington Branch train.

Since Mets-Willets Point is located in Zone 1, tickets to that zone from outlying stations are valid to Mets-Willets Point. However, passengers must retain their ticket stubs and inform ticket collectors of their intention to travel to Mets-Willets Point Stadium. Customers must hold onto their tickets, which will be collected at Mets-Willets Point after they disembark.

Customers are advised to buy tickets in advance at ticket offices or ticket machines, since on-board fares are higher. Customers planning to travel to the screening with other Billy Joel fans may want to purchase an Off-Peak Ten-Trip ticket.

The LIRR's Mets-Willets Point Station is not handicapped accessible. The subway Flushing Line Mets-Willets Point station is accessible via the Queens-bound local platform, with an ADA ramp connecting to the sidewalk on the south side of Roosevelt Avenue. LIRR Customers with mobility impairments who are traveling to see the Mets should travel to Woodside Station. At Woodside Station, which has elevators, customers should transfer to a Flushing-bound #7 subway train to the Mets-Willets Point subway stop, and then use the ramp to reach Roosevelt Avenue, across from the ballpark. To return to Woodside after the game, customers with mobility impairments should board the #7 subway and travel one stop east to its end point, the Flushing-Main Street Station. There, after a brief wait on the train, the train will head west to Woodside. This is necessary due to the location of the ramp, which will only permit access to the eastbound platform.

Mets-Willets Point timetables are available at LIRR ticket offices and terminals. Fans can also contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center. The numbers are, in Suffolk County 631-231-LIRR, in Nassau County 516-822-LIRR or in New York City at 718-217-LIRR. The Travel Information Center's TDD telephone number for the hearing impaired is 718-558-3022. Customers can also refer to the LIRR's web site: www.mta.info.