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### LIRR to Provide Additional Train Service for Good Friday & the Start of Passover

#### *Eight Extra Trains Will Run Out of Penn Station Friday, March 30*

The Long Island Rail Road will provide additional eastbound service from Penn Station on Friday afternoon, March 30, 2018, for customers leaving work early in observance of Good Friday and start of Passover holidays. Eight additional trains will depart Penn Station between 2 p.m. and 3:48 p.m. on the Babylon, Far Rockaway, and Port Jefferson branches.

The extra afternoon departures from Penn Station include:

#### **Babylon Branch**

- 2:22 p.m. express to Rockville Centre, then making all local stops to Babylon.
- 2:32 p.m. express to Lynbrook, then making all local stops to Babylon.
- 3:00 p.m. stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, then making all local stops to Babylon.
- 3:31 p.m. express to Rockville Centre, then making all local stops to Babylon.

#### **Far Rockaway Branch**

- 3:48 p.m. express to Locust Manor, then making all local stops to Far Rockaway.

#### **Port Jefferson Branch**

- 2:08 p.m. stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Carle Place, then making all local stops to Huntington.
- 2:29 p.m. stopping at Forest Hills, Kew Gardens, Jamaica, New Hyde Park, then making all local stops to Huntington.
- 3:24 p.m. stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Westbury and Hicksville.
- Additionally: The 2:52 p.m. train from Huntington to Port Jefferson will instead originate from Jamaica. This train will depart Jamaica at 2:01 p.m. and will operate express to Huntington, then make regularly scheduled local stops to Port Jefferson.

*Note: The following extra trains on the Port Washington and Ronkonkoma branches have been running daily since January as part of LIRR's service changes related to Amtrak's repair work at Penn Station. They will be available for customers this Friday:*

#### **Port Washington Branch**

- 3:40 p.m. stopping at Woodside, then making all local stops to Great Neck.

#### **Ronkonkoma Branch**

- 1:49 p.m. stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville, Bethpage, Farmingdale, Wyandanch, Deer Park, Brentwood, Central Islip, and Ronkonkoma.

#### **Many Channels for Services Updates**

Information about the additional service noted in this press release and all planned service changes is available through the LIRR's real-time service information sources:

**Email and text message service updates** – Customers are urged to sign up to receive the alerts by visiting [MyMTAAAlerts.com](http://MyMTAAAlerts.com). To avoid unwanted messages, a user can tailor the messages to the specific branch, and the specific times of day.

**LIRR Train Time app** – Customers who use the LIRR Train Time app will see up-to-the-minute status for each upcoming train at each station. As a caution, trains that start out their trips on time may experience delays en route.

**MTA.info** – The rail tab of the "Service Status" box at the left side of [www.MTA.info](http://www.MTA.info) is always the definitive source for the latest status for each branch,

updated every minute. In addition, customers can visit [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr) to see special service notices in the upper center of the page.

**@LIRR on Twitter** – Twitter users can follow @LIRR to receive updates of a similar nature to the email and text alerts, shortened to fit Twitter’s format.

The above communications channels can be accessed while at home or on the go. For customers who are located at stations, the LIRR will post the latest service updates on **digital signs** at station platforms and will make **audio announcements** over public address systems, and **on-board announcements** made by train crews.

For those who prefer the **telephone**, information is available from the LIRR’s Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and saying: “Long Island Rail Road” Those who are deaf or hard of hearing can use their preferred service provider for the free 711 relay to reach the LIRR at 511.