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## **Statement by Gateway Development Corporation Trustees Steven M. Cohen, Tony Coscia and Jerry Zaro on Governor Cuomo’s Tour of Hudson River Tunnel**

"Governor Cuomo is 100 percent right to highlight the urgent need to build a new Hudson River Tunnel, and its importance to the nation. We thank him and Governor Murphy for their unwavering commitment to the Gateway Program. This vital Northeast Corridor rail link is too important to wait for the current 107-year-old tunnel to become unusable. We urge the Administration to join us in accelerating the effort to replace the critical, century-old Portal Bridge and Hudson River Tunnel with modern, 21st century infrastructure of which America can be proud."

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