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MTA TO OFFER SPECIAL 25-CENT HOLIDAY FARE DURING CHRISTMAS EVE AND NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION HOURS

Those wishing to celebrate late into the night with family and friends on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve can leave their cars at home and instead take advantage of a special 25-cent "holiday celebration" fare that will be available on all MTA bus and train lines.

The low fares, approved by the MTA Board of Directors December 21, will be in effect beginning at 9 p.m. Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) and New Year's Eve (Dec. 31) and will be available through 5 a.m. the following morning.

"The decision to offer the special fare is in keeping with MTA's policy to provide socially valuable services to the community during times of special need," said Michael Antonovich, chairman of MTA's Board of Directors.

"These two nights historically experience a high incidence of traffic accidents, due largely to an increase in intoxicated drivers on area roads and freeways," said Franklin White, MTA's chief executive officer. "We invite those wishing to spend the evenings with relatives or friends to let MTA bus and train operators bring them home safely."

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