

Dear Senator/Assemblyman/Assemblywoman *>insert last name here<*,

In June of 2017 the Tappan Zee name was intentionally erased from the bridge spanning the Hudson River between Rockland and Westchester Counties at the Tappan Zee. Naming the replacement bridge the Gov. Mario M. Cuomo Bridge and deliberately excluding Tappan Zee from the name is an action which does not honor the history of the area and the early Dutch settlers. Most egregiously, it removes an honor bestowed upon the Tappan Native Americans and their descendants.

There has been a substantial public outcry from New Yorkers representing all political parties about the bridge name. I join them by directly calling on you to fully support any NY state legislative bill which offers fair and reasonable compromise – to name the replacement bridge the Gov. Mario M. Cuomo Tappan Zee Bridge.

If you refuse to show public support for adding Tappan Zee back to the bridge name, then I cannot help but let your inability to do the right thing impact how I vote in the upcoming elections.

Sincerely,