

Congressman Brady submits testimony to City Council Finance and Transportation Committees re SEPTA renovation of the Market-Frankford EI (05/07/03)

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--- In a prepared submitted to the Finance and Transportation Committees of Philadelphia City Council, Congressman Robert A. Brady said that the 100-year old SEPTA Market-Frankford elevated line needed to be improved, but he was deeply concerned about how the job is proceeding.

The Congressman has participated in a number of meetings with local residents, business people and Septa officials since sections of West Philadelphia became a part of the First Congressional District. And, the Congressman stressed that he has expressed his determination to all parties that there needs to be better coordination of the project; the elimination of unnecessary inconvenience to residents and businesses in the area; and, an expansion of the hiring and contracting programs for minority and area residents.

In conclusion the Congressman said that he will continue to work with and support the project in the best interests of all those involved.