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On Tuesday, February 28, 2012 Senator Ruben Diaz and Community Leader Luis Sepulveda will hold a press conference to announce their intention to commence a lawsuit against the MTA to compel them to construct an elevator at the Parkchester Train Station.

According to Senator Diaz, "It is shameful that the MTA spent nearly \$89 million renovating the 6 Line but did not spend a dime making it more accessible to our disabled and seniors.

Without an elevator, many of my constituents cannot access the 6 Line and are captives in their community. My office receives so many calls from the community about this problem and I will take the fight to the MTA to get the elevator installed."

Community Leader Luis Sepulveda, an attorney organizing the lawsuit indicated that, "according to the Americans with Disabilities Acts, the MTA was required to allocate 20% of the renovation funds making it more accessible to the disabled. How can they justify constructing a new one at the Dyckman Station in Manhattan and not one here in Parkchester? Why the difference in treatment?"

Senator Diaz, Mr. Sepulveda and other community residents will hold the conference at the Parkchester Train Station, tomorrow Tuesday February 28, 2012 at 11:00 am.

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