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## Senator Felder Calls Upon NYC Mayor Bill de Blasio to Repair City's Streets

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In a letter to Mayor Bill de Blasio, Senator Felder demanded that the City move swiftly to repair its streets to ensure the safety of New Yorkers. To date, more than 300,000 potholes have been reported to the Department of Transportation.

“The safety of our citizens is at stake,” Senator Felder stressed. “We are headed into the summer when more people will be out for their daily run, bike ride, or family outing. The City

must hire outside contractors to get the work done immediately. Mayor de Blasio specifically allocated money for pothole repairs in his budget. It is time to actually use that money for its intended purpose.”

Potholes present a danger not only to motorists, but to pedestrians as well. “Last month, an elderly gentleman in my district tripped in a pothole, breaking bones and severely injuring himself,” Senator Felder said. “This man was simply out for his daily stroll. Such a tragedy would never have happened if the City was on top of the situation. People are angry and frustrated that nothing is being done.”

“Our City’s streets are in crisis,” said Senator Felder. “Winter has long gone and yet dangerous potholes are rampant throughout New York City roads. This is inexcusable.”