The 30th Anniversary of the LIRR Shooting Still Affects Commuters

Statement by Gerard Bringmann, Chair of the LIRR Commuter Council and PCAC.

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“Today we sadly mark the lives lost and forever changed when a deranged gunman opened fire on the Long Island Rail Road. As regular riders and members of the LIRR Commuter Council, we recall too vividly the disbelief and horror of that day, along with the heroism of those who stepped in to help. Getting home safely is what we all hope for most of all, and December 7, 1993, reminds us all too clearly that the act of one person can end a routine ride in a moment. We must stay vigilant, watch out for each other and also press the LIRR and the MTAPD to continue to provide us all with a safe and efficient commute. Although it has been 30 years, we mourn with those families who were so directly affected. “