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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR STEPHANIE A. MINER ON
LATEST I-81 STUDY**

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – Mayor Stephanie A. Miner issued the following statement upon hearing results of the independent study of a potential tunnel replacement option for the I-81 viaduct.

“This study reaffirms the previous work done by the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) and what many in our community have long suspected: a tunnel option would take nearly a decade to build and have an outsize price tag. A tunnel is not feasible financially and would have detrimental impacts on the economic and social health of our community. I would urge NYSDOT to remove the tunnel alternative from consideration in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and proceed only with options which focus on connecting the street grid, opening up more land for potential development, and improving the quality of life for Syracuse residents.”

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