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**MAYOR ERIC ADAMS AND NYPD LAUNCH OPERATION “HEAVY DUTY ENFORCEMENT” TO TARGET ILLEGALLY PARKED COMMERCIAL VEHICLES IN QUEENS**

*Operation Issued 597 Summonses, Attached 89 Wheel Clamps, and Towed 55 Illegally Parked Vehicles in First Five Days*

**NEW YORK** – New York City Mayor Eric Adams and the New York Police Department (NYPD) announced operation “Heavy Duty Enforcement,” an overnight enforcement action against illegally parked commercial vehicles in neighborhoods of southern Queens. This multi-faceted effort is in response to community-generated complaints and consists of three teams utilizing heavy tow operations, booting, and summonsing enforcement, and spans several NYPD commands, bureaus, and city agencies.

“If you park commercial vehicles illegally, you will get ticketed, towed, or given the boot,” said **Mayor Adams**. “For far too long, large commercial vehicles have been parking illegally in this neighborhood, disrupting daily life, and contributing to noise, traffic, and pollution. We cannot let our neighborhood streets turn into illegal parking lots. I want every New Yorker to know your city is looking out for you and your quality of life.”

“Working in close collaboration with neighborhood residents, the New York City Police Department continues to improve the quality of life of all the people we serve,” said **NYPD Commissioner Keechant L. Sewell**. “Our enforcement actions are community-focused, intelligence-driven, and implemented based on the specific needs of each New York City neighborhood. These illegally parked commercial vehicles were negatively impacting this community — and when New Yorkers reached out, the NYPD responded. As always, we will use every resource available to enhance life in our city, and together we will build a safer, better New York. I want to thank the New York City Department of Transportation, the board and staff of the Montefiore Cemetery, NYPD personnel, and every member of the community who worked with us to address this issue.”

Beginning on Monday, August 15, operation “Heavy Duty Enforcement” deployed NYPD officers from Patrol Borough Queens South, the Transportation Bureau, personnel from the 103<sup>rd</sup>, 105<sup>th</sup>, and 113<sup>th</sup> Precincts, and Traffic Enforcement Agents to multiple locations across

southern Queens. In the first five days of the operation — from Monday, August 15 through Friday, August 19 — the NYPD issued 597 summonses, attached 89-wheel clamps, and towed 55 illegally parked vehicles to a temporary storage facility.

According to section 4-08 (k) (6) of the New York City parking rules, large commercial vehicles are prohibited from parking on residential streets overnight between the hours of 9:00 PM and 5:00 AM, seven days a week. Violation of this statute will result in enforcement action, including but not limited to summons issuance, wheel clamp attachment, and/or vehicle tow. For further information, please contact the NYPD's Transportation Bureau or the New York City Department of Transportation via 311.

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