

**FORUM:** Youth Assembly

**QUESTION OF:** The Implementation of Alternative Means of Transportation in Cities

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## **ANALYSIS**

*Acknowledging* the major effect gas prices have on citizens,

*Taking into consideration* how high-cost electric vehicles are while also being aware that they provide multiple benefits, such as not requiring gas, therefore benefiting individuals greatly by not requiring the purchasing of gas and other shorts of fuels,

*Recognizing* the fact that public transportation is very crowded and not properly sanitized,

*Noting* that safety is not always existent when using public transportation and that it is not always accessible to people with disabilities,

*Alarmed by* the many road accidents due to congestion,

*Reaffirming* that environmental pollution is a major issue that has been concerning us for decades,

## **SOLUTIONS**

1. Suggests the adoption of reusable cards, which will serve as tickets, for mass transport with an annual subscription for frequent users which will:
  - a) Be more affordable than the nonreusable cards,
  - b) environmental benefits such as reducing plastic waste;
2. Promotes the replacement of any form of vehicles that occupy toxic and harmful gasses with electric vehicles (EVs) by:
  - a) increasing the taxes on the gas emitting vehicles,
  - b) limiting the production of fossil vehicles,
  - c) introducing electrical ferries, powered with electricity;

3. Requests the advancement of security in public transit systems to ensure safety and result in more frequent use of EVs to cars by recommending the installation of cameras that supervise all users;
4. Recommends further development of infrastructure in all public transport to assist people with impairments by:
  - a) installing ramps for handicapped people,
  - b) placing tactile directions and audios for people with visual impairments on public transport infrastructure;
5. Suggests raising awareness through campaigns established by the UN for the promotion of the use of public transportation as a more sustainable alternative;
6. Recommends for public transportation to be easily accessible to everyone by creating more bus, train, and metro routes and stops, with the help of the UN, in a way that:
  - a) will make less people will purchase personal transportation vehicles by making the use of public transport easier,
  - b) benefits the environment by making sure that the new means of public transportation will emit less greenhouse gases;
7. Further recommends equipping more parking lots and special parking seats in cities with charging spots for electric vehicles, which would:
  - a) attract people to buy electric vehicles as their use is easier,
  - b) cause less pollution as more electric vehicles will be used;
8. Requests for governments to create bicycle lanes with the aid of the UN with the ultimate aim of:
  - a) reducing the use of fossil fueled vehicles,
  - b) making the commute of people who don't own a car easier,
  - c) reducing traffic,
  - d) ensuring safety of both drivers and cyclists,
  - e) ensuring that each and every individual is able to afford a vehicle, as bikes are cheaper than cars.