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Resolution:

**SUPPORT FOR MANHATTAN BOROUGH RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT CAMERAS**

WHEREAS, the Manhattan Borough Board is deeply concerned about speed-related roadway deaths and injuries which resulted in the death of 63 people and the injury of 2,150 people in 2009; and

WHEREAS, pedestrians and cyclists are at a heightened risk of injury in speed-related crashes: if a pedestrian is hit by a car at 40 mph there is an 70% chance the pedestrian will be killed, but if a driver strikes a pedestrian at 30 mph there is an 80% chance the pedestrian will survive; and

WHEREAS, speeding is the number one cause of deadly crashes in New York City, claiming more lives than drunken driving and distracted driving combined; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, 170 cyclists and pedestrians were killed on New York City's roads; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies, with increasing responsibility and without commensurate increases in staffing levels, are considering technologies to improve their efficiency; and

WHEREAS, "automated speed enforcement cameras," when used in conjunction with traditional means of traffic enforcement and public education complement law enforcement's traffic safety efforts and enforcement programs; and

WHEREAS, automated speed enforcement cameras have been shown to reduce all crashes by 14-72% and injuries and fatalities by 40-45%; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Senate and Assembly will introduce legislation, which would authorize the City of New York to use camera technology to enforce existing speed limits and support the efforts of the NYPD;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Manhattan Borough Board supports the use of "automated speed enforcement cameras" and calls on the respective houses to pass this legislation and for the Governor to sign it; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manhattan Borough Board urges the New York City Council and the Mayor to fully support this legislation

At a regularly General Board Meeting on November 2, 2011, Manhattan Community Board 10 voted to support this resolution by a vote of 24 in favor, 15 opposed, and no abstentions.