

**RESOLUTION**

**URGING THE NEW YORK STATE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY TO PASS THE CRASH VICTIMS RIGHTS AND SAFETY ACT**

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz, Ulster County, New York, held via videoconference in said Town on the \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2022, at \_\_\_\_ o'clock P.M., prevailing time. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bettez, and upon roll being called, the following roll was taken:

	<b><u>PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>ABSENT</u></b>
Supervisor Neil Bettez	_____	_____
Council Member Daniel Torres	_____	_____
Council Member Alex Baer	_____	_____
Council Member Esi Lewis	_____	_____
Council Member Julie Seyfert-Lillis	_____	_____

The following resolution was offered by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ who moved its adoption, seconded by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

**WHEREAS**, on average, three New Yorkers die daily in crashes, and hundreds more are seriously injured with debilitating life-long consequences; and

**WHEREAS**, this epidemic affects hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers year after year, and costs New York State \$15 billion annually; and

**WHEREAS**, the Crash Victim Rights & Safety Act will redesign our streets with safety as a priority to protect all road users, address the speeding rampant on our streets, educate drivers on bike/pedestrian safety and provide support to those personally impacted; and

**WHEREAS**, the crash statistics provided by the New Paltz Police Department on Town and Village vehicle crashes involving pedestrians and bicyclists show an increase in incidents with twenty one in 2019, eleven in 2018, and four in 2017,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the New Paltz Town Board of Trustees urges the New York State Senate and New York State Assembly to pass the Crash Victims Rights and Safety Act without delay, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be sent to NYS Senate Leader Stewart-Cousins, Assembly Speaker Heastie, and Transportation Committee Chairs Senator Kennedy and Assembly Member Magnarelli, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, U.S. Senator Charles Schumer, U.S. Congressman Antonio Delgado, Governor Kathy Hochul, State Senator Mike Martucci, and State Assemblyman Kevin Cahill.

	<b><u>VOTE</u></b>	<b><u>AYE</u></b>	<b><u>NAY</u></b>	<b><u>ABSTAIN</u></b>
Supervisor Neil Bettez	_____	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Daniel Torres	_____	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Alex Baer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Esi Lewis	_____	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Julie Seyfert-Lillis	_____	_____	_____	_____

The resolution was thereupon duly adopted.