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Res. No. 226

Resolution calling upon the United States Congress to pass, and the President to sign, H.R. 4507, the Pedestrian Fatalities Reduction Act.

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Whereas, In 2013, 168 pedestrians were killed in traffic crashes in New York City, according to Police Department data; and

Whereas, Reducing the number of traffic-related fatalities in the City has received renewed attention in recent months, particularly since Mayor Bill de Blasio released a Vision Zero Action Plan aimed at eliminating traffic deaths; and

Whereas, In April 2014, Representative Joseph Crowley introduced H.R. 4507, the Pedestrian Fatalities Reduction Act, a bill that would require states to devote more attention and resources to reducing pedestrian fatalities; and

Whereas, Specifically, the bill would require states to include pedestrian and cyclist fatality and injury data in their federally-mandated Strategic Highway Safety Plans and to demonstrate how they plan to address any increases in the reported number of pedestrian or cyclist fatalities or serious injuries that occur at either the state or county level; and

Whereas, The bill would also update the federal handbook that states and localities use when collecting highway safety data to include specific elements that promote safety for pedestrians and cyclists; and

Whereas, In the interest of pedestrian safety, the Pedestrian Fatalities Reduction Act should be enacted; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the United States Congress to pass, and

the President to sign, H.R. 4507, the Pedestrian Fatalities Reduction Act.

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