## A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY LEGISLATORS LORIGO, DIXON, MILLS AND HARDWICK

Re: Support for State Legislation to Increase Protection of Statewide DMV Information for Private Residents

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles currently sells data regarding registration information related to the name and address of the registered vehicle owner and other vehicle information, including make, model, year, license number and vehicle identification number; and

**WHEREAS**, this Honorable Body previously unanimously approved Resolution No. 147-2015 in opposition to the unsolicited sharing of private DMV information; and

WHEREAS, the DMV is only prevented from selling this information if motorists explicitly opt-out of the information sharing program; however, this option is not well promoted or readily known by many residents; and

WHEREAS, proposed NYS legislation would compel the Commissioner of the Department of Motor vehicles to inform each vehicle registrant how to opt-out of the information sharing program and request deletion of private information by specifically inserting a prominently displayed disclosure on the DMV main web page and on all vehicle registration forms, and upon initial registration and each registration renewal and on all renewal forms; and

WHEREAS, this proposed legislation would greatly increase motorists' awareness to opt-out option since current DMV forms lack any method to do so.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that this Honorable Body supports NYS Senate Bill S7215 to inform vehicle registrants that they can opt-out of the Department of Motor Vehicle's program that sells certain personal information to contracting parties and require the department to publicize the method for opting out; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Cuomo, the Western New York delegation of the NYS Senate and Assembly, and any other party deemed necessary and proper.

Fiscal Impact: None for this resolution