



March 31, 2026

Honorable Carl E. Heastie
Speaker, New York State Assembly
Room 932 Legislative Office Building
Albany, NY 12248

Dear Speaker Heastie:

As Borough Presidents of Brooklyn and Manhattan, **we write to express our strong support for the immediate inclusion of the Stop Super Speeders Act in this year's final budget.** The Stop Super Speeders Act [A.2299/S.4045; S.9008/A10008, PART D (TED ARTICLE VII)] would slow down the worst-of-the-worst, most dangerous drivers who cause a disproportionate amount of harm on our roads.

The budget is the most powerful tool available to deliver immediate, life-saving changes. Including the Stop Super Speeders Act in the final budget would ensure timely implementation of Intelligent Speed Assistance (ISA) technology for the small number of repeat, egregious speeders who pose a disproportionate risk on our roads.

Across New York State, speed-related fatalities have sharply increased in recent years, climbing by more than 30% from 301 deaths in 2019 to 393 in 2022 — even as total crashes declined. Overall, approximately one in three traffic deaths statewide involves speeding.

This is a solvable problem, since we know a relatively small group of chronic offenders is responsible for an outsized share of the harm. According to one study, super speeders are five times more likely to be involved in a fatal crash than other drivers. Our current strategy of revoking licenses simply isn't working, as 75% of people still drive after such a loss.

The Stop Super Speeders Act offers a targeted, data-driven response: ISA technology prevents vehicles from exceeding posted speed limits using GPS and onboard sensors, while still allowing people to get around. This is not a blanket mandate—it is a focused safety measure for the most dangerous drivers. This is a fair and non-carceral solution to a real problem that impacts our communities.

The evidence supporting ISA is strong:

- One international study estimated a potential **37% reduction in fatal traffic crashes** due to the use of intervening ISA technology.
- New York City's own pilot program, implemented by DOT and DCAS across hundreds of municipal fleet vehicles, resulted in a **64% reduction in speeding** and **36% fewer hard-braking events**.
- This strategy is similar to the highly effective approach advocated by MADD requiring drunk drivers to install breathalyzer technology (IID) on their vehicles.

Including the Stop Super Speeders act in the state budget would:

- **Prevent deaths and serious injuries** by directly limiting the ability of Super Speeders to drive at lethal speeds.
- **Deter dangerous behavior** of the small number of worst-of-the-worst speeders and promote long-term changes in driving habits.
- **Demonstrate New York's leadership** in deploying proven technology to address a persistent public safety crisis.
- **Ensure equitable implementation** rather than piecemeal or delayed action.

Over the past two years, the District of Columbia, Virginia and Washington State enacted similar bills, and fifteen additional states are currently considering versions of them this session. Every year that New York State fails to enact this legislation, more people will needlessly lose their lives on our roads.

With support from the New York State Senate, Governor Hochul, the New York City Council, the New York City Department of Transportation and our offices, this common sense approach is a popular means of saving lives in our city.

New Yorkers cannot afford to wait for safer speeds. We urge you to **support the Stop Super Speeders Act's inclusion in the upcoming final budget**.

Sincerely,



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