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Resolution directing the Intergovernmental Relations Division-Department of Administration to seek introduction and passage of state legislation authorizing the use of photo radar speed detection technology to detect traffic violators.

This resolution directs the Intergovernmental Relations Division-Department of Administration to seek introduction and passage of state legislation authorizing the use of photo radar speed detection technology to detect traffic violators.

Whereas, Photo radar speed detection technology, also known as speed cameras, has proven accurate and reliable in use in Europe for more than 20 years and in the United States for more than 10 years; and

Whereas, Speed cameras are authorized in 7 states and 18 cities including Mesa, AZ, Phoenix, AZ, Tempe, AZ, San Jose, CA, Boulder, CO, Denver, CO, Washington, D.C., Charlotte, NC, Toledo, OH, Portland, OR, and Jackson, TN; and

Whereas, In Washington, D.C., almost 1 in 3 motorists was found to be speeding aggressively in the summer of 2001, the beginning of the speed camera program and that number has dropped to about 1 in 49 during February 2006; and

Whereas, The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety in a recent study showed that average speeds declined 14 percent and the proportion of vehicles exceeding the speed limit by more than 10 mph declined 82 percent within 6 months of implementing speed cameras in Washington, D.C.; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that Intergovernmental Relations Division-Department of Administration is directed to seek introduction and passage of state legislation authorizing the use of photo radar speed detection technology to detect traffic violators.

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