



both a federal Ferry Joint Program Office and an academic National Ferry Transportation Institute; and

Whereas, The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (MAP-21), signed into law in July 2012, provided \$67 million annually to construct ferry boats and terminal facilities; and

Whereas, The Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), signed into law in December 2015, increased that amount to \$80 million annually; and

Whereas, Ferries are not only an important mode of day-to-day travel for many New Yorkers, they are also one of the most resilient forms of transportation and often play an essential role during emergencies; and

Whereas, The federal government should invest in new and upgraded boats and terminal facilities so that both passengers and the communities served by the country's ferry systems can benefit from the safest, most efficient, and most environmentally-friendly infrastructure possible; 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, legislation increasing federal investment in the nation's passenger ferry systems.

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