

Tompkins County Council of Governments

Governor Daniel D. Tompkins Building Ithaca, NY 14850 Meeting: 09/26/24 01:00 PM Department: Tompkins County Council of Governments

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-03

DOC ID: 12763

Opposing Increasing Maximum Weight and Length Limits for Commercial Trucks on Interstate Highways

RESULT: RECOMMENDED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Tim Murray, Alternate, Town of Caroline

SECONDER: Ruth Groff, Member, Town of Lansing

AYES: Gagnon, Groff, Howe, James, Lamb, Murray, Olson, St. Perez, Woodard

WHEREAS, Tompkins County Council of Governments (TCCOG) members have become aware of proposals to increase the maximum commercial truck size and/or weight allowed on Interstate Highways, and

WHEREAS, all commercial trucks trips start and end their trips on local or county roads, and

WHEREAS, heavier trucks increase wear and tear on local roadways, bridges, and culverts, and

WHEREAS, heavier trucks have higher crash rates due to larger mass and the need for longer braking times and longer tractor-trailers cause many additional traffic safety problems, particularly on rural roads, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Tompkins County Council of Governments (TCCOG) opposes proposals to increase maximum commercial truck size and/or weight on Interstate Highways and recommends to the Tompkins County Legislature take the same position,

RESOLVED, further, That certified copies of this resolution shall be sent by the Deputy Clerk of the Tompkins County Legislature to the Tompkins County Legislature, United States Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand, and United States Congressman Marc Molinaro.