

RESOLUTION NO. 21-12

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR LEGISLATION REGULATING THE SALE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS TO SCRAP METAL DEALERS

WHEREAS, in the Twin Cities and across Minnesota, there has been a huge surge in catalytic converter thefts from cars, trucks and SUV's; and

WHEREAS, thieves target catalytic converters because the converters contain rare metals such as platinum, palladium and rhodium; and

WHEREAS, while thieves can receive \$200-\$300 from an online recycler for a stolen catalytic converter, the replacement cost for a new catalytic converter can exceed \$2,000; and

WHEREAS, a number of state legislators have introduced bills making it illegal for anyone except licensed scrap metal dealers from buying used catalytic converters and limiting who those licensed scrap metal dealers can purchase a catalytic converter from; and

WHEREAS, while it is oftentimes difficult to prove that a catalytic converter was stolen, disrupting the black market will have the effect of reducing the attractiveness of this crime.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Spring Lake Park that the City Council does hereby express its support for legislation before the State Legislature regulating the sale of catalytic converters to scrap metal dealers.

The foregoing resolution was moved for adoption by Councilmember .

Upon roll call, the following voted aye:

And the following voted nay:

Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly passed and adopted this fifteenth day of March, 2021.

Robert Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Daniel R. Buchholtz, Administrator

State of Minnesota)
Counties of Anoka and Ramsey)ss
City of Spring Lake Park)

I, Daniel R. Buchholtz, duly appointed and qualified City Administrator in and for the City of Spring Lake Park, Anoka and Ramsey Counties, Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 21-12, A Resolution Expressing Support for Legislation Regulating the Sale of Catalytic Converters to Scrap Metal Dealers.

Daniel R. Buchholtz, Administrator

(SEAL)

Dated: _____