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Whereas the DOT Carshare program has resulted in no-standing carshare zones placed on residential streets;

Whereas many carshare zones are particularly close to each other, creating areas in the district that have a higher density of no-standing zones than others, causing significant impact to residents and their ability to park their own vehicles;

Whereas some carshare zones in the district are insufficiently cleaned by the companies that are designated to maintain, clean, and upkeep them;

Whereas underutilized parking lots in the district that are rarely at capacity can serve as a home for brand-sponsored carshare locations more convenient for all parties than the public roadways; and

Whereas the DOT Carshare program has some beneficial effects as a public good, it simultaneously erodes convenience, ease of transportation, and quality of life for other community members although there is a way for this program to conveniently coexist with the current state of the district; now, therefore, be it

Let It Be Resolved, Brooklyn Community Board 9 urges DOT to redirect or place future Carshare zones in our district in existing parking lots of municipally controlled institutions (such as Medgar Evers College) or existing commercial parking lots that have excess space before considering placing them on public roads where they displace street parking; Opposes the approval of Carshare zones in front of private homes; Strongly proposes that Carshare zones will not be on directly adjacent blocks and be at least one block apart—further, we suggest that any Carshare zones requested or planned that would be on a block next to another that has an existing Carshare zone be denied; Urges DOT to require Carshare companies (such as Zipcar, Getaround, and TruqIt) to engage in Step 4 of the Carshare application — Outreach by CSOs —where they will engage with Community Board 9, sharing informational materials on requested sites, Carshare Process, and Company profiles. We believe that insufficient outreach has been done and that more frequent and higher quality outreach is essential to ensure that Carshare can effectively co-exist with the community and provide broad value to residents.

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