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THE NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS STATE-TO-STATE ELECTRONIC DRIVER HISTORY RECORD DATA SHARING TO ENHANCE HIGHWAY SAFETY

WHEREAS, highway and public safety is adversely impacted by unqualified and unsafe drivers operating motor vehicles on our nation's highways; and,

WHEREAS, people who are not qualified to operate a motor vehicle on the highway should not be issued or maintain a driver's license until they meet the necessary eligibility requirements; and,

WHEREAS, operators of motor vehicles may commit driving violations that result in convictions impacting their driving privilege throughout the U.S.; and,

WHEREAS, individuals who have had their driving privilege suspended in one state may attempt to get a valid driver's license issued from a different state; and,

WHEREAS, driver history records maintained by state driver's license agencies (SDLA) are an important resource for determining individual driver license eligibility and driving privilege status; and.

WHEREAS, timeliness of driving violation conviction information being shared with and between SDLAs directly affects how quickly action can be taken by SDLAs to update driver's license eligibility and driving privilege status; and,

WHEREAS, sharing of driver record history information in an efficient and timely manner among all states will aid SDLAs in making a more informed decision for driver license eligibility and issuance; and,

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers rely on accurate driver record history information when determining if a violation occurred where a citation or arrest may be warranted. Decisions made by law enforcement officers based on accurate and timely driver record history information during a traffic stop can improve highway and public safety; and,

WHEREAS, prosecutors rely on accurate driver record history information when making charging decisions: the timeliness and accuracy of this information has a direct impact on these decisions; therefore,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) State-to-State Verification Service provides a resource for SDLAs to share, among all participating states, electronically transmitted driving history record data; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the AAMVA State-to-State Verification Service, Driver History Record information sharing program greatly enhances timely driver history record information sharing among states; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Traffic Safety Committee of the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) supports and highly encourages all SDLAs participation in the AAMVA State-to-State Verification Service, Driver History Record information sharing program.