

**RESOLUTION NO. 137 -2012, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF  
THE SUFFOLK COUNTY VANDERBILT MUSEUM'S 1937  
CHRYSLER IMPERIAL TO HOWARD KROPLICK**

**WHEREAS**, the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum Board of Trustees accepted the 1937 Chrysler Imperial Model C-15 Town Car (Vehicle Identification Number 9999296) from Harry Gilbert, 50 East 77<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY on December 3, 1959; and

**WHEREAS**, this vehicle, a masterpiece of Art Deco automotive design, was commissioned by Walter P. Chrysler for his daughter, Bernice Chrysler Garbisch; and

**WHEREAS**, the vehicle is made of handworked aluminum (no factory-produced body panels were used) and has Bernice Chrysler Garbisch's initials, BCG, inscribed on its rear doors; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 15, 1992, the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum deaccessioned the vehicle with the recommendation to sell the vehicle as it is not relevant to the Museum's collections, and because there is neither a suitable storage facility on the property nor resources to restore and maintain the vehicle; and

**WHEREAS**, during 2011, two qualified independent appraisers provided valuations ranging from \$73,500 to \$307,750 for the original unrestored vehicle with a history of ownership by a high-profile person; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 4, 2011, the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum released a prospectus seeking qualified bids for the sale of the vehicle with December 23, 2011 as the deadline for responses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum advertised the prospectus in the nationally recognized publication and website, *Hemmings Motor News*; and

**WHEREAS**, the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum received several bids for the purchase of the vehicle; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 10, 2012, qualified bidders attended a meeting at the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum to negotiate the fair market price for the purchase of the 1937 Chrysler Imperial; and

**WHEREAS**, at the January 18, 2012, regular meeting of the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum Board of Trustees, the Board approved the sale of the Museum's 1937 Chrysler Imperial Town Car (Vehicle Identification Number 9999296) to Howard Kroplick for \$275,000; now, therefore be it

**1<sup>st</sup>** **RESOLVED**, the Suffolk County Legislature approves and authorizes the Museum to sell its 1937 Chrysler Imperial Model C-15 Town Car to Howard Kroplick in the amount of two hundred seventy-five thousand (\$275,000) dollars; and be it further

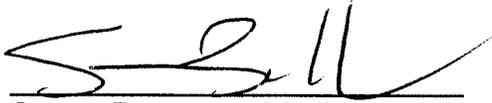
**2<sup>nd</sup>** **RESOLVED**, in compliance with the accredited status of the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum by the American Association of Museums, the proceeds from the sale of the

vehicle shall be used exclusively by the Museum for the care and maintenance of the Museum's collections; and be it further

**3rd**            **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED:        **MAR 13 2012**

APPROVED BY:



County Executive of Suffolk County

Date 3-27-2012

SUFFOLK COUNTY  
County Legislature  
RIVERHEAD, NY



*This is to Certify That I,* TIM LAUBE, Clerk of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in this office, and which was duly adopted by the County Legislature of said County on March 13,2012 and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

*In Witness Whereof, I* have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk.

*Tim Laube*

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Clerk of the Legislature

Intro. Res. 1123

Res. No. 137

March 13, 2012

**Motion:**  
 Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker  
 Calarco, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Hahn, Barraga,  
 Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Spencer

**Co-Sponsors:**  
 Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker  
 Calarco, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Hahn, Barraga,  
 Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Spencer

**Second:**  
 Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker  
 Calarco, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Hahn, Barraga,  
 Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Spencer

LD	Legislator	Yes	No	Abs	NP	R
1	Edward P. ROMAINE					
2	Jay H. SCHNEIDERMAN					
3	Kate M. BROWNING					
4	Thomas MURATORE					
5	Kara HAHN					
6	Sarah S. ANKER					
7	Rob CALARCO					
9	Ricardo MONTANO					
10	Thomas CILMI					
11	Thomas F. BARRAGA					
12	John M. KENNEDY, JR.					
13	Lynne C. NOWICK					
15	DuWayne GREGORY					
16	Steven H. STERN					
17	Lou D'AMARO					
18	William SPENCER					
14	Wayne R. HORSLEY, D.P.O.					
8	William J. LINDSAY, P.O.					
	Totals	18				

**MOTION**

Approve

\_\_\_ Table: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Send To Committee

\_\_\_ Table Subject To Call

\_\_\_ Lay On The Table

\_\_\_ Discharge

\_\_\_ Take Out of Order

\_\_\_ Reconsider

\_\_\_ Waive Rule \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Override Veto

\_\_\_ Close

\_\_\_ Recess

APPROVED       FAILED \_\_\_\_\_

No Motion \_\_\_\_\_ No Second \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION DECLARED**

ADOPTED

\_\_\_ NOT ADOPTED

*Tim Laube*

Tim Laube, Clerk of the Legislature

Roll Call \_\_\_\_\_ Voice Vote