

# VID Bird-Friendly Glass Resolution

WHEREAS, according to the Audubon Society, 90,000-230,000 birds die in New York City alone from collisions with glass in our buildings,

WHEREAS such deaths are entirely avoidable, with bird-friendly glass being affordable, nearly impossible to distinguish by humans, and almost completely safe for birds, and

WHEREAS many of the building in New York that kill the most birds were built after bird-friendly glass was available and affordable, but they were constructed without bird-friendly glass in order to save small amounts of money,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Independent Democrats:

1. Endorses A.705 (Glick), requiring all new construction in New York State to utilize bird-friendly glass;
2. Urges both the New York City Council and New York State legislature to pass legislation requiring all glass at heights that are dangers for birds to be replaced with bird-friendly glass over time:
  - a. Anytime such a window is replaced in an existing building, it should be replaced by bird-friendly glass;
  - b. All such windows must be replaced using bird-friendly glass by 2030.