

1 RESOLUTION NO. R2022-15

2 A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL, TO
3 DESIGNATE WELLINGTON AS A "VISION ZERO CITY", DIRECTING
4 STAFF TO CREATE A VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN, ESTABLISHING A
5 GOAL OF NO SEVERE TRAFFIC INJURIES OR FATALITIES BY 2030;
6 DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO TAKE
7 ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO EFFECTUATE SAME; DESIGNATING
8 THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS;
9 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

10 WHEREAS, the State of Florida is the most dangerous state for people walking,
11 consistently ranking number 1 on the Pedestrian Danger Index by Smart Growth America,
12 with the Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach urbanized area consistently ranking as
13 one of the worst metropolitan areas in the country; and

14 WHEREAS, 176 people in Palm Beach County and 3,189 people statewide die
15 annually on roadways; and

16 WHEREAS, Vision Zero starts with the ethical belief that everyone has the right to
17 move safely in their communities, and that system designers and policy makers share the
18 responsibility to ensure safe systems for travel; and

19 WHEREAS, death and serious injuries are not acceptable for citizens, commuters,
20 guests, or others who live, work, or play in the Village of Wellington; and

21 WHEREAS, a key element of the Vision Zero system is to set a goal of no severe
22 traffic injuries or fatalities by 2030, which can be achieved by reframing traffic fatalities as
23 preventable; focusing on system failure; reducing the impact of collisions; adopting a safe
24 system approach for vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians; data-driven decision making; and
25 viewing road safety as a social equity issue; and

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27 WHEREAS, a roadway system with frequent crashes causes travel delays, drains
28 fiscal resources, and threatens the quality of life in Wellington as well as the reputation of
29 Wellington as a desirable destination for future generations.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S
31 COUNCIL that:

32 SECTION 1. The Wellington Council hereby establishes that the elimination of
33 traffic fatalities and the reduction of serious injuries due to traffic accidents is a goal of the
34 Village of Wellington.

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36 SECTION 2. The Wellington Council hereby adopts Vision Zero as the policy for
37 road and traffic safety in the Village of Wellington and directs that near and long-term
38 traffic planning be based on Vision Zero principles.
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40 **SECTION 3:** The Wellington Council directs staff to develop a Vision Zero Action
41 Plan for achieving the goals of eliminating traffic fatalities and reducing serious injuries
42 due to traffic crashes through the adoption of a safe system approach for vehicles,
43 bicycles and pedestrians, equitable engineering, enforcement, education, data-driven
44 decision making, and social equity considerations in road safety planning and
45 implementation.

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47 **SECTION 4:** The Wellington Council directs the Public Safety Committee to
48 review, evaluate, and make recommendations to the Vision Zero Action Plan and related
49 projects and plans to achieve the goals of eliminating traffic fatalities and reducing serious
50 injuries due to traffic crashes.

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52 **SECTION 5:** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

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54 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 12th day of July 2022.

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56 **ATTEST:**

VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON

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59 By: 
60 Chevelle Addie, Village Clerk

By: 
Anne Gerwig, Village Mayor

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63 **APPROVED AS TO FORM**
64 **AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

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67 By: 
68 Laurie Cohen, Village Attorney
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