

**THOMAS JEFFERSSON PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION
RESOLUTION OF COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING ROADWAY SAFETY GOALS**

WHEREAS, the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC) recognizes the critical importance of ensuring safe streets for all residents and visitors within its jurisdictions in Region 10, encompassing the City of Charlottesville, and the counties of Albemarle, Fluvanna, Nelson, Louisa, and Greene; and

WHEREAS, the TJPDC acknowledges the profound impact of roadway crashes, with 1,591 lives lost or seriously injured in its jurisdictions from 2018 to 2022, affecting individuals, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law establishes the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary program, providing crucial funding for regional, local, and Tribal initiatives aimed at preventing roadway fatalities and serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 the TJPDC was awarded a United States Department of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads for All discretionary grant to develop a multi-jurisdictional safety action plan; and

WHEREAS, Move Safely Blue Ridge – the TJPDC’s comprehensive safety action plan, is poised to identify and prioritize roadway safety improvements across the region; and

WHEREAS, the federal grant received by the TJPDC necessitates an official public commitment within its safety action plan to ambitiously reduce roadway fatalities and serious injuries, with the ultimate goal of eliminating such incidents; and

WHEREAS, the TJPDC is committed to the Virginia Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP)’s vision of zero deaths and serious injuries and its goal to reduce roadway fatalities and serious injuries by half by 2045;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission is committed to supporting its member jurisdictions in attaining the following safety targets approved by each member’s governing board to include:

- Undertaking efforts to one day eliminate roadway fatalities and serious injuries and to reduce the combined number of roadway fatalities and serious injuries in Albemarle, Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa, and Nelson counties by 50 percent by 2045, and
- Undertaking efforts to eliminate roadway fatalities in the City of Charlottesville by 2045 and to reduce the combined number of roadway serious injuries by 50 percent by 2045.

ADOPTED by the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission at its monthly Commission meeting of April 4, 2024, in the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, a quorum being present.

Christine Jacobs, Executive Director
Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission

Ned Gallaway, Commission Chair
Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission

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