

**BOROUGH OF CARLISLE
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION NO. 08-10-2023- 02

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CARLISLE
ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING VISION ZERO TO ACHIEVE
ZERO TRAFFIC DEATHS AND SERIOUS INJURIES
ON BOROUGH STREETS BY 2033**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Carlisle is Joining cities across the world in the Vision Zero movement to eliminate traffic-related deaths and serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, traffic crashes are among the leading cause of deaths and serious injuries in the world, and the United States; and

WHEREAS, loss of life and life-changing injuries due to crashes are unacceptable on Carlisle's Streets, and serious crashes are preventable; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero provides a framework for reducing traffic deaths and serious injuries to zero, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all; and

WHEREAS, traffic deaths and serious injuries occur disproportionately in low-income communities, communities of color, and/or communities with low car ownership; and

WHEREAS, streets and transportation systems have traditionally been designed primarily for maximum vehicular capacity and mobility, rather than providing accommodation for all modes and users; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Carlisle recognizes that streets are a key factor in the way people experience the public realm and play a vital role in promoting economic development, public safety, health and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the borough oversaw the implementation of the road diet completed in 2011 acknowledging the need to build streets that are safe and convenient for all users; and

WHEREAS, traffic Deaths and Serious injuries are not inevitable but Preventable; and

WHEREAS, saving Lives and people's health is not expensive; and

WHEREAS, successful implementation of the Vision Zero Action Plan relies on a systematic approach that includes interdepartmental, coordinated initiatives and community support of Vision Zero goals and objectives; and

WHEREAS, a safer environment for pedestrians is consistent with Carlisle Borough's Climate Action Plan goal of "Reducing community vehicles miles traveled (VMT) 10% by 2035 and 25% by 2050".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Carlisle Borough hereby adopts the Vision Zero strategy as a comprehensive and holistic approach to eliminating traffic fatalities and severe injuries on its streets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Carlisle Borough will commit to the Safety of its streets by implementing designs that consider road users in order of vulnerability.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Carlisle Borough will integrate human failing into its approach,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Carlisle Borough will develop an Active Comprehensive Transportation Plan no later than 2027 that takes input from cyclists, pedestrians, and multimodal street users.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Carlisle Borough will deploy quick and cost-effective measures to protect human health and lives on its streets as soon as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Carlisle Borough commits to the goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and severe injuries on borough owned streets by 2033, and will work with The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to eliminate traffic fatalities and severe injuries on state owned streets by 2033.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Carlisle Borough will monitor, track and report, at least annually, on measures of efficacy, including, but not limited to, qualifying injuries and deaths as well as areas of concern.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Borough Council, the Borough Manager, Borough Engineers, and Public Works are Authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to further effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

RESOLVED this 10th day of August, 2023 in public session duly assembled.

BOROUGH OF CARLISLE

By: _____
Sean M. Shultz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joyce E. Stone, Borough Secretary

(Borough Seal)