

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2023-**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EUREKA DECLARING THE IMPORTANCE OF COMPLETE STREETS**

WHEREAS, the City of Eureka City Council adopted the Strategic Visioning Goal of prioritizing safety for all modes of transportation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eureka City Council strives to reduce/eliminate transportation injuries and fatalities to the fullest extent; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eureka City Council directs City staff to consider safety as the highest priority when balancing competing needs and demands for space within the public right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eureka maintains 214 centerline miles of roadway, and whenever local residents, visitors, or those passing through drive, walk or bike within the City they are dependent upon a safe, reliable local transportation network; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the City of Eureka ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> respectively in California, of similar sized cities, for pedestrian and bicycle collisions and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 five people died in the City of Eureka in bicycle and pedestrian collisions; and

WHEREAS, from 2011 to 2021, 39 people died and 2,173 were injured in the City of Eureka; and

WHEREAS, 71% of the traffic fatalities during this period were people walking or biking; and

WHEREAS, increasing real and perceived safety for people walking and biking is a key step in encouraging more people to walk and bike for transportation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, roadway safety features such as marked crosswalks, bulb-outs and lighted signage enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety by increasing user's visibility, shortening crossing distances, slowing turning vehicles, and visually narrowing the roadway; and

WHEREAS, a balanced transportation system that offers an array of safe and convenient choices, particularly for walking, biking and transit make communities more livable;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Eureka expresses its commitment to transportation safety for all modes of travel including motorized and non-motorized modes and commits to providing a complete and connected transportation network that contributes to the safety, health, economic vitality and quality of life of all residents, especially those most vulnerable.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Eureka, County of Humboldt, State of California, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS  
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS  
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS

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MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EUREKA  
Kim Bergel

*Attest:*

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Pamela J. Powell, City Clerk

*Approved as to Administration:*

*Approved as to form:*

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Miles Slattery, City Manager

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Autumn E. Luna, City Attorney