

RESOLUTION No. 25-

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, LAUNCHING A CITYWIDE “VISION ZERO” INITIATIVE WITH THE AIM OF ZERO TRAFFIC FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES ON THE CITY’S ROADWAYS; AND COMMITTING TO APPLY FOR FUNDING TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY ACTION; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Doral is committed to improving road safety, reducing traffic-related fatalities and injuries, and ensuring a transportation system that supports the well-being and economic prosperity of families and businesses; and

WHEREAS, in alignment with Policy 3.2.14 of the City’s 2022 Comprehensive Plan, the Public Works Department shall evaluate intersections with the highest crash rates to identify and implement potential redesigns that enhance overall safety and mobility for all road users; and

WHEREAS, the City’s 2022 Comprehensive Plan Policy 3.2.15 states that by 2023, the City will develop an Action Plan to implement the “*Vision Safety*,” a national road traffic safety project; and

WHEREAS, the City has yet to develop an Action Plan for the implementation of the “*Vision Safety*” program; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2024 Transportation Master Plan, from 2016 to 2023, the City of Doral experienced 22,509 crashes, resulting in 20 fatalities and 83 serious, life-altering injuries, including four (4) pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities and 16 serious pedestrian and bicyclist injuries; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Vision Zero Fact Sheet reports an average of six (6) weekly traffic fatalities, 31 weekly serious injuries, 20 annual bicycle fatalities, and 99 annual pedestrian fatalities, highlighting the urgent need for safety interventions to protect lives and maintain economic stability for families affected by traffic incidents; and

WHEREAS, Smart Growth America's *Dangerous by Design 2024* and *The State of States*, respectively, rank the Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach Metropolitan area as the 14th most dangerous metropolitan area for pedestrians in the United States, and Florida as the second most dangerous state for pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) *Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment*, from November 2023, highlights that pedestrians and bicyclists are the most vulnerable road users of Florida's transportation system, representing 28 percent of traffic fatalities statewide between 2019 and 2023; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero is a comprehensive strategy aimed at eliminating all traffic fatalities and severe injuries while promoting safe, healthy, and accessible for all road users, ensuring that families and workers can travel safely without fear of injury or loss; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero aligns with the FDOT's Target Zero initiative, seeking to eliminate all traffic-related deaths and serious injuries through a combination of engineering, education, enforcement, and emergency response strategies; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero and FDOT's Target Zero initiative recognize that roadway safety is fundamental to a thriving local economy, as traffic crashes impose financial burdens on families, businesses, and the healthcare system, while safer streets

contribute to economic prosperity by supporting local commerce, improving mobility options, and reducing lost productivity; and

WHEREAS, the Safe System Approach, as promoted by the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), recognizes that human errors are inevitable and seeks to minimize the severity of crashes by designing roadways, encouraging safer road behavior, and implementing policies that reduce risks and improve safety for all users, particularly the most vulnerable, including pedestrians and bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, USDOT administers the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant program, which provides funding opportunities for infrastructure improvements supporting Vision Zero and Target Zero initiatives; and

WHEREAS, The City of Doral is eligible to pursue the SS4A Planning and Demonstration Grant, which could support the development of a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) to guide strategic safety improvements and create a transportation network that enhances public safety and economic opportunities for families; and

WHEREAS, the City of Doral reaffirms its commitment to road safety, economic prosperity, and the principles of Vision Zero, FDOT's Target Zero initiative, and the Safe System Approach by officially launching a citywide road safety campaign. This initiative aims to educate residents and raise awareness with the ultimate goal of eliminating all traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries across the city by 2040.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. Approval. The City Council hereby approves a Citywide Vision Zero Initiative.

Section 3. Authorization. The City Manager is authorized to implement the City's Vision Zero Initiative as outlined in this Resolution.

Section 4. Implementation. The City Manager and the City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such further action as may be necessary to implement the purpose and the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by _____ who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Christi Fraga	_____
Vice Mayor Maureen Porras	_____
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	_____
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	_____
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12 day of March, 2025.

CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CONNIE DIAZ, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
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