

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A 2024 BICYCLE FRIENDLY  
COMMUNITY APPLICATION

WHEREAS, The League of American Bicyclists was founded in 1880; and

WHEREAS, The League's Bicycle Friendly America program provides a roadmap for community leaders and local advocates to build places that are more welcoming to people who bike; and

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Friendly America program is a tool for states, communities, businesses, and universities to make bicycling a real transportation and recreation option for all people and it recognizes those doing it well; and

WHEREAS, the Town has a long history of developing bicycle facilities and included a Transportation and Mobility chapter in its policy document, the 2022-2042 Comprehensive Plan, *Carrboro Connects*, with goals, strategies and projects that implement the Town's bicycle plan, by completing missing links in the bicycle network, identifying new infrastructure projects and amending the Carrboro Land Use Ordinance with new provisions relating to Complete Streets and bicycle parking; and

WHEREAS, the Town has been working with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Carrboro Police Department and local advocates to identify strategies for implementing a Slow Zone in the downtown area since 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted a Vision Zero Initiative in November 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Town was awarded a FY 2024 Safe Routes to School non-infrastructure grant to update its adopted Safe Routes to School Strategic Plan to include more local schools, and is focused on strategies to allow children to walk and bike to school to promote active living at a young age; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro was recognized by the League of American Bicyclists as the first silver level Bicycle Friendly Community in the state of North Carolina, and desires to achieve gold status; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Town Council that the Council endorses the Town's 2024 Bicycle Friendly Community application and endeavors to implement the policies and infrastructure necessary to make Carrboro a community where bicycling is always a travel option regardless of age and ability.

This the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.