

RESOLUTION #2023-10

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE
REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY ACTION PLAN AND VISION ZERO GOAL**

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR-MO Urban Area; and

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2022, the Board of Directors of the NWARPC approved Resolution #2022-09 authorizing the submittal of an application to the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) for an FY2022 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary grant to prepare a Regional Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP); and

WHEREAS, a Regional CSAP that meets USDOT requirements would enable all jurisdictions in the NWA region to subsequently qualify for consideration of USDOT discretionary SS4A Implementation Grants; and

WHEREAS, the NWARPC has completed the consultant-led Regional CSAP, *The NWA Vision Zero Plan*, which was developed through consultation with expert stakeholders, the SS4A CSAP working group, and public outreach across Northwest Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, the Regional CSAP is based on the Safe System Approach that focuses on both human mistakes and human vulnerability with a focus on “building and reinforcing multiple layers of protection to both prevent crashes from happening in the first place and minimize the harm caused to those involved when crashes do occur”; and


WHEREAS, the Regional CSAP establishes a regional commitment that one life lost within the region’s transportation network is one too many and something must change.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Section 1: That the NWARPC Regional Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) is hereby approved and identifies a wide variety of strategies, goals, and potential projects.

Section 2: That the NWARPC adopts a Vision Zero Goal, including a target to eliminate all fatal and serious injury crashes that occur on the regional roadway network by 2038 and endorses Vision Zero and the Safe System Approach as a comprehensive and holistic approach to achieving this goal.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THIS 28TH DAY OF JUNE, 2023.



Judge Barry Moehring, Chair, NWARPC

ATTEST:

