## **RESOLUTION 2022-02**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BREVARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUPPORTING THE SPACE COAST TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION VISION ZERO INITIATIVE, AN EFFORT TO ELIMINATE FATAL AND SERIOUS INJURIES ON BREVARD COUNTY ROADWAYS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION

**WHEREAS**, the growth and vitality of our District requires safe and reliable transportation systems, and

WHEREAS, the life and health of District residents are our utmost priority, and

**WHEREAS**, Vision Zero is the concept that there is no acceptable number of traffic deaths and serious injuries on our roadways, and

**WHEREAS**, the School Board of Brevard County, Florida recognizes that no one should die or be seriously injured while travelling on our District streets, and

**WHEREAS,** children, the elderly, people of color and people in low-income communities face a disproportionate risk of traffic injuries and fatalities, and

**WHEREAS,** people walking, and bicycling represent a disproportionate number of these fatalities, and

**WHEREAS,** Schools typically serve a diverse population and are an effective partner in sharing information on roadway safety, and

**WHEREAS**, School officials and teachers are trusted to supply important safety information to parents and students within their communities, and

**WHEREAS**, driver behavior, including speeding, distracted driving, and drunk driving, are significant contributing factors to this loss of life, and

**WHEREAS,** Space Coast Transportation and Planning Organization adopted Resolution #20-02 endorsing Vision Zero to achieve zero traffic deaths and serious injuries, and

**WHEREAS,** the Florida Department of Transportation has formally adopted "Driving down Fatalities" its own version of the national vision, "Towards Zero Deaths."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the School Board of Brevard County, Florida:

- 1. Hereby supports and adopts the goal of Vision Zero-that no loss of life is acceptable on Brevard County roadways.
- 2. Hereby agrees to promote a culture of traffic safety within Brevard Public Schools.
- 3. Hereby supports and will provide District staff to participate in a county or multijurisdictional Vision Zero Committee comprised of members of organizations and agencies with expertise in transportation, enforcement, education, public health,

- emergency response, equity, transit, biking, walking, vehicles, and freight, who will work together for the development and implementation of a Vision Zero Safety Action Plan.
- 4. Hereby supports traffic safety education by continuing to support the bicycle pedestrian education program in partnership with the Space Coast TPO and Safe Routes to School Program.

**DULY ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by majority vote of the School Board of Brevard County, Brevard County, Florida, at the regular School Board Meeting, held the <u>25</u> day of <u>Oct.</u>, 2022.

By: The Defend

Misty Belford, Chairperson School Board of Brevard County

Attest: Mutt W. Mullins

Mark E. Mullins, Ed.D., Superintendent

School Board of Brevard County

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Sections 1001.42(3)(j); 1001.42(10), F.S.