RESOLUTION NO. 2022-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE GOAL OF VISION ZERO, ADVOCATING THAT NO LOSS OF LIFE IS ACCEPTABLE ON OUR CITY STREETS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION.

WHEREAS, the growth and vitality of our City requires safe and reliable transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the life and health of City of West Melbourne 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 City of West Melbourne recognizes that no one should die or be seriously injured while travelling on our City streets; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization adopted a resolution endorsing Vision Zero to achieve zero traffic deaths and severe injuries; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council hereby supports and adopts the goal of Vision Zero – that no loss of life is acceptable on our City streets.

SECTION 2. That the City Council hereby supports and will provide City staff to participate in a countywide or multi-jurisdictional Vision Zero Safety 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.

SECTION 3. That the City Council recommends the Vision Zero Safety Committee involve the Police Department and the community in the decision-making and development of Vision Zero enforcement plans or policies.

SECTION 4. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption in accordance with the Charter of the City of West Melbourne.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Melbourne, Florida on this 17th day of May, 2022.

ATTEST:

Cynthia Hanscom.

Hal J. Rose, Mayor

Approved as to legal form and sufficiency:

Morris Richardson, City Attorney