RESOLUTION 2021-07

ADOPT THE GOAL OF VISION ZERO; THAT NO LOSS OF LIFE IS ACCEPTABLE ON OUR TOWN STREETS

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

WHEREAS, the life and health of Melbourne Beach 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 Town of Melbourne Beach recognizes that no one should die or be seriously injured while travelling on our city 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, driver behavior, including speeding, distracted driving and drunk driving, are significant contributing factors to this loss of life; and

WHEREAS, 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 "Driving down Fatalities," its own version of the national vision, "Towards Zero Deaths."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Melbourne Beach adopts the goal of Vision Zero — that no loss of life is acceptable on our city streets; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Vison Zero Safety Committee will be formed to advise Town Commission on the development and implementation of a Vision Zero Safety Action Plan; and shall be comprised of organizations and agencies with expertise in transportation, enforcement, education, public health, emergency response, equity, transit, biking, walking, vehicles and freight; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Commission directs the Vision Zero Safety Committee to develop assurances against racial profiling and targeting as it pertains to Vision

Zero enforcement and to ensure that communities of color, police and community leadership are included in the decision-making and development of enforcement plans or policies.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Commission of the Town of Melbourne Beach, Brevard County, Florida, at its regular meeting this 18th day of August, 2021.

TOWN OF MELBOURNE BEACH, FLORIDA, a Florida Municipal Corporation

Bv:

Nyatt Hoover, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Torres, Town Clerk

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