A RESOLUTION

TO ENDORSE AND SUPPORT A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY TO PROVIDE SAFE AND CONVENIENT ACCESS FOR ALL USERS OF STREETS.

WHEREAS, on April 24th, 2006, Resolution 2006-32, Greenville City Council adopted the "Action Plan" to make the City of Greenville a "Bicycle Friendly Community"; and

WHEREAS, increasing walking and bicycling offers the potential for cleaner air, greater health of the population, reduced traffic congestion, more livable communities, less reliance on fossil fuels and their foreign supply sources and more efficient use of road space and resources; and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville's Downtown Master Plan and Comprehensive Plan call for the planning and development of accessible transportation networks and multi-modal land-use with transportation choices; and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville's Design and Specifications Manual requires that the inclusion of landscaping, bicycle and pedestrian oriented facilities be included with new and reconstructed roadways; and

WHEREAS, in 2006 crashes involving bicyclists and pedestrians represented eighteen (18%) percent of the traffic fatalities in Greenville County and in 2006 crashes involving bicyclists and pedestrians represented fourteen (14%) percent of the traffic fatalities in South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville is strongly committed to improving travel conditions and travel choices for people of all ages & abilities; and

WHEREAS, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act (SAFETEA-LU) calls for the mainstreaming of bicycle and pedestrian projects into the planning, design and operation of our nation's transportation system; and

WHEREAS, bicycle and pedestrian projects and programs are eligible for funding from almost all of the major Federal-aid funding programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville affirms that bicycling and walking accommodations should be an integral part of planning, design, construction and operating activities, and will be included in the everyday operations of our transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville endorses the Complete Streets Policy by encouraging the design, operation and maintenance of the transportation network to promote safe and convenient access for all users in a manner consistent with, and supportive of, the surrounding community; and WHEREAS, the City of Greenville endorses policies and procedures with the construction, reconstruction or other changes of transportation facilities on streets to support the creation of Complete Streets including capital improvements, re-channelization projects and major maintenance, recognizing that all streets are different and in each case user needs must be balanced.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA that the City endorses and supports the Complete Streets Policy as follows:

- 1. City staff shall enforce existing policies, provide guiding principles and create operating practices as deemed appropriate and if feasible so that transportation systems are planned, designed, constructed and operated to make bicycling and pedestrian movements an integral part of the City's transportation planning and programming while promoting safe operations for all users.
- 2. City staff shall plan for, design, construct and operate all new City transportation improvement projects to provide appropriate accommodation for pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, and persons of all abilities, while promoting safe operation for all users, as deemed appropriate and if feasible.
- 3. City staff shall incorporate Complete Streets principles into transportation strategic planning, transportation plans, manuals, rules, regulations and programs as deemed appropriate and if feasible.

RESOLVED THIS 24 DAY OF	NOVEMBER	, 2008.
MAYOR		

Attest:

CITY CLERK

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