

STATE OF ALABAMA )

COUNTY OF BALDWIN )

**RESOLUTION# 2023-009  
OF THE  
BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission supports policies and programs that focus on health and wellness and healthier community environments; and

WHEREAS, the health and safety of children is of highest concern to the citizens of Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, walking and biking can help enhance the health and overall physical activity of children, improve air quality and the environment, and reduce traffic congestion and speed in and around school zones; and

WHEREAS, Safe Routes to School is a national and international movement to create safe, convenient, and fun opportunities for children to walk and bike to school; and

WHEREAS, Safe Routes to School efforts help remove barriers to walking and biking to school through improvement of infrastructure and facilities and the creation of education, encouragement, engineering, enforcement, and evaluation programs; and

WHEREAS, having safer routes to and from schools can decrease pedestrian and bicycling related injuries, not just for students, but for the entire community; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the Baldwin County Commission recognizes the importance of making walking and biking to school a safe activity; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Baldwin County Commission will participate in and support Baldwin County's Safe Routes to School Steering Committee and their initiatives, including International Walk to School events, in order to gain the benefits mentioned above and strengthen the quality of life for Baldwin County students, families, and neighborhoods.

DONE, under the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, as affixed on this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

  
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Commissioner James E. Ball, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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Ronald J. Cink, Budget Director/Interim County Administrator

