RESOLUTION NO. 2020-067

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ENDORSING THE VISION ZERO - INITIATIVE, AN ASPIRATIONAL INITIATIVE TO ACHIEVE ZERO TRAFFIC-RELATED DEATHS OR SERIOUS INJURIES IN THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

WHEREAS, the life, safety, and health of residents, employees, and visitors to Chula Vista is the City Council’s highest priority; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has a goal to achieve and maintain zero deaths or serious injuries from traffic related incidents in the City of Chula Vista; and endorses Vision Zero as a comprehensive and holistic approach to achieving this goal; and

WHEREAS, almost all serious traffic crashes are avoidable and preventable through proper engineering design, enforcement, encouragement, evaluation, and constant education; and

WHEREAS, traffic deaths and serious injuries in the United States have disproportionately impacted people of color, low-income households, older adults and youth, people with disabilities, people with limited English proficiency, and households with limited vehicle access; and

WHEREAS, streets and transportation systems have traditionally been designed primarily for vehicular capacity rather than safe accommodation of all modes of transportation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chula Vista continues to prioritize bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure by funding major improvements, such as the Broadway Corridor Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chula Vista continues to apply and receive funding for engineering, education, and encouragement projects that work towards preventing serious injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, increasing real and perceived safety for people walking and bicycling is a key step in enabling more people to choose these clean air modes of transportation that will support the City’s Active Transportation Plan and Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chula Vista will continue to work collaboratively in a data-driven effort to identify, prioritize, and fund projects toward eliminating traffic fatalities and serious injuries.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of Chula Vista resolves as follows:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated as findings.
SECTION 2. The City Council hereby adopts an aspirational goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries.

SECTION 3. Commencing on the effective date of this Resolution, all future transportation projects including bicycle, pedestrian, vehicular and other modes of transportation facilities will be reviewed for best practices in eliminating deaths or serious injuries resulting from traffic crashes.

SECTION 4. Nothing in this resolution is intended to be inconsistent or conflict with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). If a conflict arises, the MUTCD shall take precedent.

[SIGNATURES ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]
PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, California, this 17th day of March 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Diaz, Galvez, McCann, and Casillas Salas

NAYS: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: Padilla

ATTEST:

Kerry K. Bigelow, MMC, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO )
CITY OF CHULA VISTA )

I, Kerry K. Bigelow, City Clerk of Chula Vista, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2020-067 was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting of the Chula Vista City Council held on the 17th day of March 2020.

Executed this 17th day of March 2020.