



**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING JACKSON COUNTY’S APPLICATION FOR THE
NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION’S PEDESTRIAN
PLANNING GRANT**

WHEREAS, The North Carolina Department of Transportation’s Division of Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation has announced the availability of Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grants for local governments; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County desires to apply for a grant to develop a Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan to improve pedestrian connectivity; and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Board of Commissioners recognizes the numerous benefits of pedestrian facilities to the overall health, safety, and quality of life of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a Comprehensive Pedestrian Transportation Plan will assist Jackson County in implementing our 2040 Land Use Plan, specifically Transportation Goal 1 “Promote connectivity between schools, housing, business districts, recreation and community centers.”, and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Board of Commissioners has adopted ordinances that require sidewalk construction within the County’s zoned districts and a policy to allow the County to maintain the sidewalks once constructed; and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Board of Commissioners fully support the improvement and modernization of the County’s secondary road systems; and

WHEREAS, The Jackson County Board of Commissioners is committed to improving pedestrian safety in the County and is committed to participating in the 30% cost share for the Comprehensive Pedestrian Planning Grant.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY OF JACKSON, that the County of Jackson is supportive of the application for the North Carolina Department of Transportation’s Division of Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation’s Pedestrian Planning Grant and commit to the required 30% local funding match.

ADOPTED by the Jackson County Board of Commissioners on the 16th day of April, 2019.

Attest:

Approved:

Angela M. Winchester, Clerk to Board

Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman