

Resolution No. [2026-R01]

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING THE TOWN OF MONCKS CORNER
TO THE GOAL OF ZERO TRAFFIC FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY THE YEAR 2040**

WHEREAS, the Town of Moncks Corner recognizes that traffic fatalities and serious injuries are preventable and represent a profound loss to our community; and

WHEREAS, the safety of all road users—pedestrians, bicyclists, motor vehicle occupants, and public transit riders—is a paramount responsibility of the Town of Moncks Corner; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Town of Moncks Corner's Safety Action Plan funded by a US Department of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant greatly encourages grantees and their leaders to commit to a goal of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries by a specific year; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Moncks Corner has in recent years been interested in adopting the "Vision Zero" initiative, which is similar to SS4A, and

WHEREAS Vision Zero is a data-driven strategy that prioritizes human life and acknowledges that traffic deaths are not inevitable accidents but systemic failures that can be addressed through comprehensive planning and action; and

WHEREAS, achieving zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries requires a multi-faceted approach involving multiple and redundant pillars of the Safe System Approach: safe road users, safe vehicles, safe speeds, safe roads, and post-crash care; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Moncks Corner is committed to fostering a culture of safety and continuous improvement in its transportation system;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MONCKS CORNER, that:

- The Town of Moncks Corner formally adopts the ambitious but achievable goal of **zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries by the year 2040**.
- The Town Administrator is hereby directed to develop and present to the Town Council, within six (6) months of the adoption of this Resolution, a comprehensive **Safety Action Plan** that outlines specific strategies, timelines, and measurable objectives to achieve the stated goal.
- The Safety Action Plan shall include, but not be limited to, recommendations for:
 - **Safe Streets Design**: Prioritizing design elements that inherently reduce speeds and improve visibility of vulnerable road users from vehicular traffic, such as separated bike lanes, more visible and wider crosswalks and sidewalks, traffic calming measures, and improved intersection designs that promote slower turns and greater visibility in areas with potential conflicts.
 - **Data-Driven Decision Making**: Utilizing traffic crash data, public input, and best practices to identify high-risk areas and implement targeted interventions.
 - **Public Awareness and Education**: Launching campaigns to educate residents and visitors on safe driving, walking, and cycling behaviors, and the importance of traffic safety.
 - **Focused Traffic Enforcement**: Focusing traffic enforcement on behaviors that contribute to serious injury crashes, such as speeding and impaired driving.
 - **Post-Crash Response and Learning**: Enhancing emergency response and utilizing crash investigations to inform future safety improvements.
 - **Specific Project Recommendations**: Location-based project recommendations with improvement alternatives documented and illustrated.

- **Ongoing Community Engagement:** Actively involving residents, businesses, and stakeholders in the planning and implementation process to ensure the plan reflects community needs and priorities.
- **Goal Setting, Transparency, and Monitoring:** Publishing each calendar year's traffic fatality count at least once per year in a public place (such as the Town's website) to create the accountability and awareness needed to move the traffic fatality count toward zero, monitoring its progress through an annual public process, and tasking staff or a consultant at least periodically to recommend steps to move the needle toward zero.
- The Moncks Corner Town Council commits to allocating necessary resources, as may be feasible within budgetary constraints, to support the implementation of the Safety Action Plan.
- The Moncks Corner Town Council shall receive annual progress reports on the Safety initiative, reviewing key performance indicators and making adjustments to the Safety Action Plan as necessary to ensure progress towards the 2040 goal.
- This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 17TH day of February, 2026, by the Council of the Town of Moncks Corner, South Carolina.

Thomas J. Hamilton, Jr., Mayor
Town of Moncks Corner, South Carolina

ATTEST:

Marilyn M. Baker, Clerk to Council
Town of Moncks Corner, South Carolina