



Proclamation

WHEREAS, walking is an important form of transportation, recreation, and physical activity that contributes to the health, vitality, and quality of life of the Whitewater community; and

WHEREAS, pedestrians of all ages and abilities rely on safe streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, and intersections to travel to schools, businesses, parks, workplaces, neighborhoods, and community destinations; and

WHEREAS, drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, and other roadway users all share responsibility for creating a safe transportation environment by remaining attentive, following traffic laws, and respecting one another; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness and education can help prevent pedestrian-related crashes, injuries, and fatalities and encourage safer behaviors throughout our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Whitewater is committed to promoting safe, accessible, and connected transportation options and fostering a vibrant, engaged, and welcoming community where residents and visitors can travel safely; and

WHEREAS, Pedestrian Safety Month provides an opportunity to remind motorists to slow down, remain alert, eliminate distractions, and yield to pedestrians, while encouraging pedestrians to use designated crossings and remain visible and attentive;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Whitewater hereby proclaims October 2026 as Pedestrian Safety Month and encourages all residents, students, visitors, and motorists to do their part to make Whitewater's streets safer for everyone.

Dated this 6th day of October 2026.

John Weidl, City Manager