City of WHITEWATER

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical personnel, public works and transportation crews, towing and recovery operators, and other roadway responders perform critical and often lifesaving work at traffic incidents; and

WHEREAS, these responders routinely work alongside moving traffic, placing themselves at risk while assisting crash victims, clearing roadways, and protecting the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, safe and coordinated traffic incident response helps reduce secondary crashes, restore traffic flow, and improve safety for responders, crash victims, and motorists; and

WHEREAS, motorists play an important role in protecting those working along our roadways by remaining alert, avoiding distractions, slowing down, and moving over when approaching emergency and roadside response vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Crash Responder Safety Week provides an opportunity to recognize the dedication of our crash responders and remind every driver that *"Slow Down, Move Over. Lives are on the Line";*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Whitewater hereby recognizes November 2–6, 2026, as Crash Responder Safety Week and encourages all residents and motorists to exercise caution around traffic incidents, obey Wisconsin's Move Over Law, and help protect the men and women who work every day to keep our roadways and community safe.

Dated this 3rd day of November 2026.

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City Manager for the City of Whitewater