

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AN APPLICATION TO THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FY 2027-2028 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES
SET-ASIDE PROGRAM FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program is administered at the State level by the VDOT and is funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, the TA Set-Aside Program is intended to fund infrastructure projects that improve mobility and safety for people walking and/or biking; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council adopted the Alexandria Mobility Plan in 2021, which aims to improve mobility, access, safety, and convenience for people walking and biking and calls for building out a continuous, connected, and accessible pedestrian network that enables people of all ages and ability to move safely and comfortably; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council adopted the Vision Zero Action Plan in 2017, which includes goals to build safer streets for everyone and accelerate safety improvements as part of the City's Safe Routes to School Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria has identified recommended infrastructure projects to improve safety near the City's elementary and K-8 schools through the City's Safe Routes to School Program; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council desires to submit one application totaling up to \$3,125,000 for Fiscal Years 2027-2028 of the TA Set-Aside Program; and

WHEREAS, up to \$3,125,000 of these funds will be requested to fund the design and construction of crossing improvements that were identified in Safe Routes to School walk audits near Charles Barrett Elementary School and George Washington Middle School; and

WHEREAS, the TA Set-Aside Program requires a local match of 20%.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA:**

1. The City Council of the City of Alexandria supports the submission of one grant application for the TA Set-Aside Program for up to \$3,125,000 total to implement safety improvements at intersections near Charles Barrett Elementary School and George Washington Middle School; and
2. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby supports a 20% local match of up to \$625,000 over two years if this funding under the TA Set-Aside Program is awarded; and

3. The City Council of the City of Alexandria will be responsible for maintenance and operating costs of the facility as constructed unless other arrangements have been made with VDOT; and
4. The City Council of the City of Alexandria authorizes the City Manager to apply for the TA Set-Aside Program grant and enter into any required agreements with VDOT to accept and implement the grant.

Adopted: _____

ALYIA GASKINS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria Sitton, City Clerk