



A RESOLUTION OF THE MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TO ADOPT
“VISON ZERO”

- Whereas** the Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization has a direct influence on the promotion of transportation safety in the Gulf Coast region; and
- Whereas** the Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization is aware of the escalating number of deaths due to crashes, including the year 2020, when fewer vehicles were on the roads; and
- Whereas** the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration have adopted the Safe Systems Principles to guide national highway management, highway and transit policy decisions, and public road design goals; and
- Whereas** the Safe Systems Principles include the stated values that deaths and serious injuries are unacceptable; humans make mistakes; humans are vulnerable; responsibility for road safety is shared; safety is proactive; and redundancy is crucial; and
- Whereas** in 2019, the Mississippi Department of Transportation Strategic Highway Safety Plan described the mission of using important strategies to save lives and reduce injuries, focusing on the vision of *Toward Zero Deaths*; and
- Whereas** the Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization has a Transportation Safety Program that directly supports *Towards Zero Deaths*; and
- Whereas** the Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization affirms that death and serious injury from crashes should never be considered with indifference, nor should the risk of such outcomes be accepted as inevitable; and
- Whereas** the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP 2045) encompasses the long-term transportation priorities, goals, and projects for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Region;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

That on March 9, 2023, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby adopts “Vison Zero” to guide highway management policy and roadway design, with the regional goal of achieving zero deaths and serious injuries due to crashes by the year 2045 and will include this safety goal in the long-range planning process.

Attest:

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