

2023 RES-390

**DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 15 THROUGH APRIL 19, 2024,
AS “WORK ZONE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK” IN DANE COUNTY**

WHEREAS, in 1999 the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) partnered with the American Association of State and Highway officials (AASHTO) and, more recently, with the American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA) to create the National Work Zone Awareness Week campaign, held annually in April prior to the construction season for much of the nation; and

WHEREAS, according to data from the UW Madison Traffic Operations and Safety Laboratory’s Community Maps, between 2019 and 2023, there were 64 fatalities and more than 3,800 people injured as a result of more than 10,000 crashes within work zones; and

WHEREAS, construction and maintenance activities on our streets and highways periodically require work zones to be established; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 2,400 work zone crashes in Wisconsin each year; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 alone, Wisconsin recorded 2,168 crashes in road construction and maintenance zones, which resulted in over 712 injuries and 10 fatalities; and

WHEREAS, through their enforcement activities and other participation, the Dane County Sheriff’s Office, Wisconsin State Patrol, and the Dane County Highway Department will strive to make “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” a success in Dane County; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has designated April 15 through April 19, 2024, as National Work Zone Awareness Week with this year’s theme--“Work Zones are temporary. Actions behind the wheel can last forever,” which focuses on driver awareness of their speed and proximity to workers in work zones.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors designates the week of April 15 through April 19, 2024, as “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” in Dane County.

Patrick Miles, Chair
Dane County Board of Supervisors

Signed and sealed before me this
_____ day of _____, 2024.

Scott McDonell,
Dane County Clerk