

2024 RES-397

**DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 21 THROUGH APRIL 25, 2025,
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 Safety 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 2020 and 2024, there were 56 fatalities and more than 3,600 people injured as a result of more than 10,300 crashes within Wisconsin 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 2024 alone, Wisconsin recorded 2,174 crashes in road construction and maintenance zones, which resulted in over 779 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 21 through April 25, 2025, as National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week with this year's theme--"Respect the zone so we all get home," which focuses on drivers' 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 21 through April 25, 2025, to be recognized 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 _____, 2025.

Scott McDonell,
Dane County Clerk