

RESOLUTION OF THE  
CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI PLANNING  
AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**WHEREAS**, the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District (CMPDD) is a voluntary association of local governments whose intent is to find common solutions to problems and issues that go beyond any one political subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, CMPDD is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of political, business, education, workforce development, and minority interests from each of the seven (7) counties in Central Mississippi including Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Simpson, Warren, and Yazoo Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, planning for safe, accessible, and multimodal transportation options in the region is central to CMPDD's mission; and

**WHEREAS**, CMPDD's region had 549 fatal crashes and 1,825 serious injury crashes between 2018-2022; and

**WHEREAS**, among the 2,374 total fatal and serious injury crashes there were 235 pedestrian crashes and 22 bicycle crashes; and

**WHEREAS**, CMPDD received a planning grant through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Safe Streets and Roads for All discretionary grant program to develop a comprehensive Safety Action Plan for CMPDD's seven-county region; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Safety Action Plan is to develop a holistic well-defined strategy to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, CMPDD's Safety Action Plan is a data-driven, comprehensive, and actionable strategy developed utilizing the Safe System approach to assist CMPDD's region in considering a broader approach to improving transportation safety throughout the entire transportation network for all users; and

**WHEREAS**, the Safe System approach prioritizes the elimination of crashes that result in death and serious injuries by incorporating six key principles: Death and serious injuries are unacceptable, humans make mistakes, humans are vulnerable, responsibility is shared among all stakeholders, safety is proactive, and redundancy is crucial in the transportation system; and


**WHEREAS**, the implementation of strategies identified in CMPDD's Safety Action Plan by its member jurisdictions will assist not only the U.S. Department of Transportation's vision of zero deaths and serious injuries on the nation's roadways, but the State of Mississippi's goal toward zero deaths and serious injuries by the year 2050; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors for the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District does hereby adopt the Central Mississippi Safety Action Plan and commits to a systematic approach to reducing transportation related serious injuries and deaths throughout CMPDD's seven-county region with a goal toward zero deaths and serious injuries on the region's transportation network by the year 2050.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ON MAY 8, 2024.

ATTEST:

  
Les Childress, Secretary Treasurer  
CMPDD Board of Directors

  
William Banks, President,  
CMPDD Board of Directors