



**Resolution of Support to Reinstate Laws and Fines for Jaywalking, Pedestrians
Crossing Outside of Marked or Unmarked Crosswalks, Within the Municipality of
Anchorage**

WHEREAS, On August 8, 2023, the Anchorage Assembly passed and approved AO 2023-65 (S-1) into the city's transportation laws that removed fines for jaywalking, which is defined as crossing a street outside a marked or unmarked crosswalk; **and**

WHEREAS, Anchorage experienced a record-breaking increase of roadway pedestrian fatalities in 2024, 11 of 15 outside a marked or unmarked crosswalk; **and**

WHEREAS, AO 2023-65 (S-1) intended outcomes to prevent and reduce injuries, fatalities, and property damage resulting from collisions between motor vehicles and persons who are not operating motor vehicles, has failed*; **and**

WHEREAS, On February 11, 2025, the Anchorage Assembly postponed indefinitely a decision on AO No. 2024-130, co-sponsored by Mayor LaFrance and Assemblyman Sulte, an ordinance to reinstate jaywalking laws and fines for those crossing roadways outside of marked or unmarked crosswalks in the city; **and**

WHEREAS, As of July 2025, Anchorage has experienced 10 pedestrian accidents, placing the Municipality on a track to surpass 2024's somber record; **and**

WHEREAS, Pedestrian safety is tied to defined expectations, deterrents, infrastructure improvements, and public education, and the current municipal laws do not encourage citizens to act safely or make it feasible to potentially save lives;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE HEREBY RESOLVED, The Northeast Community Council endorses the Anchorage Assembly reinstate laws and fines for jaywalking that will prohibit pedestrians from crossing the roadway outside of a marked or unmarked crosswalk for the safety of both pedestrians and drivers.

Resolution Vote: For: 18 Against: 9 Abstain: 3

/s/Pamela Raygor

Pamela Raygor, President, NECC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Weber", written over a horizontal line.

David Weber, Secretary, NECC

*Source: 2024 Vision Zero stats regarding major injuries and fatalities on Anchorage roadways

