Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex
Resolution #2026-107

SUPPORT SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the FY2027 Safe Routes to School Program ("Program") provides federal funds for infrastructure projects that facilitate walking and/or bicycling to school, including the construction or installation of sidewalks, crosswalks, signals, traffic-calming measures, and bicycle facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Franklin, in coordination with the Franklin Board of Education, has worked diligently to implement projects that improve the accessibility, safety, use, and maintenance of the areas surrounding schools within the community; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Franklin supports the submission of a grant application for the Safe Routes to School Program withing the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation and authorizes the Mayor, Administrator and the Municipal Clerk to execute any and all documents necessary and related to the submission of said grant application of agreement; and

WHEREAS, the project will help to continue and improve the promotion and encouragement of pedestrian and bicycle access and safety for residents and school children; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Franklin Council as follows:

A. The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Franklin, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, formally authorizes the Borough Administrator to submit an electronic grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for funding under the 2027 Safe Routes to School Program on behalf of the Borough of Franklin.
B. This project involves roadways that are owned and maintained by both the Borough of Franklin and by the County of Sussex, and the County of Sussex will document a clear commitment in support of the Borough's application and to maintain the right of way within the project area as it always has.
C. Following the completion of the proposed project, the Borough of Franklin will assume maintenance responsibility with the exception of (1) local ordinances that place maintenance responsibility with each individual property owner, and (2) those crosswalks on State or County Highways; and,
D. Upon receipt of a grant award, the Mayor, or the individual holding said title, is hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Franklin, and the Mayor's signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.
E. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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CERTIFICATION: I, Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Franklin, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey at a regular meeting held on November 10, 2026.

Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
PATRICIA CARNES	X			
CONCETTO FORMICA	X			
RACHEL HEATH	X			
JOSEPH LIMON	X			
STEPHEN SKELLENGER	X			
GILBERT SNYDER	X			
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				