



RESOLUTION # 50-9/11

ITEM # 9-9
BOARD ACTION
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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ACTION
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TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RE: URGE CONGRESS TO PASS THE COMPLETE STREETS ACT

WHEREAS, many miles of streets are unsafe for people walking, riding bicycles, or taking public transit because these streets lack sidewalks, crosswalks, space for bicycles, and make no room for people taking public transportation and provide no accommodation for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, between 1996 and 2006, approximately 54,000 pedestrians and more than 8,000 bicyclists were killed in road accidents; and

WHEREAS, The Complete Streets Act of 2009 would direct state and metropolitan transportation authorities to adopt and implement complete streets policies for federally-funded transportation projects to provide a full menu of transportation options to meet the needs of everyone using roads; and

WHEREAS, the National Complete Streets Coalition estimates that the conversion to complete streets will reduce the almost 5,000 annual fatalities and 70,000 injuries among pedestrians and bicyclists and will encourage healthy and active lifestyles by making it safer and easier for people to walk; and

WHEREAS, complete streets that provide for the needs of all street users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, and those using public transit, are cost-effective because they reduce congestion, improve conditions for new and future businesses, and could help to reduce dependence on foreign oil and automobile emissions by making it easier for people to leave their cars at home.

WHEREAS, La Crosse County is the first County in the United States to adopt a Complete Streets Policy; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board hereby urges the passage of The Complete Streets Act of 2009, which would direct state and metropolitan transportation authorities to adopt and implement complete streets policies for federally-funded transportation projects to provide a full menu of transportation options to meet the needs of everyone using roads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be sent to Congressman Kind and Senators Kohl and Johnson.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no direct impact on the County's budget.

Date: Sept 12, 2011

Date: Sept 7, 2011

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

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	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	_____	<u>50</u>	_____	Requested By: Tara Johnson
Fin. Director	<u>GT</u>	_____	_____	Date Requested: Aug. 30, 2011
Corp. Counsel	<u>WAS</u>	_____	_____	Drafted By: Steve O'Malley
Board Chair	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____	_____	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 15 Day of September, 2011

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 15th day of September, 2011.

[Signature]
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk