TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION No. 2026-232

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilman Schor that the following resolution be adopted:

SUPPORT SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL FY2027 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 Township of Verona, in coordination with the Verona 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 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 as follows:

A. The Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, formally authorize the Township Manager to submit an electronic grant application for the Franklin Street Pedestrian Bridge to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for funding under the 2027 Safe Routes to School Program on behalf of the Township of Verona.
B. This project involves roadways that are owned and maintained by the Township of Verona.
C. Following the completion of the proposed project, the Township of Verona will assume maintenance responsibility for all improvements completed with grant funding awarded under the FY2027 Safe Routes to School Program.
D. The Township of Verona is designating Michael Kraus as the "responsible charge" for this program. Michael Kraus is a full-time employee of the Township of Verona and will be the responsible charge for the proposed Federal-aid construction project.
E. Upon receipt of a grant award, the Township Manager is hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Verona, and the Township Manager's signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.
F. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

ROLL CALL:
AYES: **Schor, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro**
NAYS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 19, 2026.

TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, N.J. INCORPORATED 1907

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