

ATTACHMENT A

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OCTOBER 2010 AS CARRBORO WALK/BIKE
TO SCHOOL MONTH AND OCTOBER 6TH, 2010, AS
CARRBORO WALK/BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY
Resolution No. 27/2010-11

WHEREAS, walking to school in the United States has declined from 48 percent in 1969 to 12 percent in 2009, according to the National Center for Safe Routes to School; and

WHEREAS, childhood obesity “has more than tripled in the past 30 years”, increasing from 6.5 percent in 1980 to 19.6 percent in 2008 among children from 6 to 11 years old, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

WHEREAS, in Orange County, 35.7 percent of children aged 5 to 11 are overweight or obese, according to Orange County’s State of the County Health Report (2009); and

WHEREAS, encouraging walking and bicycling to school can help promote an active lifestyle among Carrboro children; and

WHEREAS, *Carrboro Vision 2020* states that the “safe and adequate flow of bus, auto, bicycle and pedestrian traffic within and around Carrboro is essential”, and *Vision 2020* Policy 3.25 encourages pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, the Carrboro Comprehensive Bicycle Transportation Plan of 2009 recommends implementing Safe Routes to School planning activities and events; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro, Carrboro and McDougle Elementary Schools, and consultants are currently developing a Safe Routes to School Action Plan to guide future decisions on increasing the viability and safety of walking and bicycling to school; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro has received Safe Routes to School funding administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for a sidewalk project and walk/bike-to-school programs to be implemented over the next two years;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen that October 2010 is hereby designated as Carrboro Walk/Bike to School Month and October 6th, 2010, is hereby designated as Carrboro Walk/Bike to School Day.