



A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CITY CODE REGARDING SCHOOL ZONES

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville City School Board is committed to ensuring the safety of all students, staff, and families who walk, bike, or are driven to and from school; and

WHEREAS, a review by City staff, including the City Attorney, Traffic Engineer, and Safe Routes to School Coordinator, has advised that the City of Charlottesville's Code Section 15-98, which governs speed limits in school zones, needs to be updated to reflect current school names, existing school zone locations, and alignment with applicable current State Statute speed limits for safe travel in school zones; and

WHEREAS, the City Code needs to list all Charlottesville City School Division schools within the City boundaries and reflect their current names:

- **Charlottesville High School**
- **Charlottesville Middle School**
- **Walker Upper Elementary School**
- **Sunrise Elementary** (formerly Burnley-Moran)
- **Tall Oaks Elementary** (formerly Johnson)
- **Trailblazer Elementary** (formerly Venable)
- **Summit Elementary** (formerly Clark)

WHEREAS, under Virginia Code Title 46.2, Subtitle III, Subsection H, the Charlottesville City School Board is authorized to request a maximum speed limit in school zones of 15 mph, provided the local governing body enacts an ordinance to codify this change; and

WHEREAS, a speed limit of 15 mph in school zones enhances the safety of students and pedestrians and aligns with the City's Safe Routes to School program;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charlottesville City School Board hereby requests that the Charlottesville City Council act to amend the City Code to:

1. **Identify** each existing school zone within the city limits.
2. **Reduce the maximum speed limit** from 25 mph to 15 mph in the designated school zones.
3. **Update the names** of all schools listed in the City Code to reflect current names, including those listed in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Charlottesville City School Board authorizes the Chief Operations Officer to transmit this resolution to the Charlottesville City Council and to

collaborate with City staff to ensure the timely and effective implementation of these safety measures.

ADOPTED by the Charlottesville City School Board on this **9th** day of **October, 2025**.

ATTEST:

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Leslie Thacker, Clerk of the Board

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Emily Dooley", written over a horizontal line.

Emily Dooley, School Board Chair