CITY OF WEST ALLIS RESOLUTION R-2025-0291

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATIVE BILLS THAT ALLOW IMMEDIATE IMPOUNDMENT OF VEHICLES USED FOR RECKLESS DRIVING

WHEREAS, reckless driving remains a constant threat to the safety of the community and is frequently cited as a top concern by residents of Milwaukee County; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 Act 1, the legislature created Wis. Stat. 349.115 to provide municipalities with an option to impound vehicles used in an act of reckless driving; and

WHEREAS, West Allis was the first community in Milwaukee County to enact an ordinance authorized by Wis. Stat. 349.115, but the state law has significant limitations that undercut its effectiveness:

WHEREAS, a bi-partisan group of 23 state legislators has introduced companion bills in the state assembly (AB 78) and senate (SB 65) to amend Wis. Stat. 349.115 and improve its effectiveness by eliminating the unnecessary limitations within that law; and

WHEREAS, enacting AB 78/SB 65 would be an improvement to the current law and provide a more useful tool that would assist law enforcement officers in keeping the community safe and deterring reckless driving;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the West Allis Common Council supports the passage and enactment of 2025 Assembly Bill 78/Senate Bill 65 and thanks the legislative sponsors for bringing this bill to the legislature.

SECTION 1: <u>ADOPTION</u> "R-2025-0291" of the City Of West Allis Municipal Resolutions is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

R-2025-0291(Added)

AUTHORIZATION The city clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Committees on Judiciary and Public Safety in both the Assembly and the Senate.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS COUNCIL MARCH 18, 2025.

AYE NAY ABSENT ABSTAIN

Ald. Ray Turner	X	 	
Ald. Kimberlee Grob	X	 	
Ald. Chad Halvorsen	X	 	
Ald. Marissa Nowling	X	 	
Ald. Suzzette Grisham	X	 	
Ald. Danna Kuehn	X	 	
Ald. Dan Roadt	X	 	
Ald. Patty Novak	X	 	
Ald. Kevin Haass	X	 	
Ald. Marty Weigel	X	 	

Attest

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Tracey Uttke, City Clerk, City Of West Allis

Presiding Officer

Dan Devine, Mayor, City Of West

Allis

