PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING WHITE CANE SAFETY DAY

WHEREAS, blindness and severe visual impairment affect approximately 100,000 Wisconsin residents; and

WHEREAS, the majority of these persons use travel aids, such as a white cane or a service animal to get around public streets and sidewalks and places of public accommodation; and

WHEREAS, these travel aids are universally recognized as symbols representing vision loss; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's White Cane Law requires that motorists come to a full stop before approaching closer than 10 feet to a pedestrian who is using a white cane or service animal; and

WHEREAS, Careful driving and fully stopping when pedestrians are in the crosswalk is beneficial to all residents, including children, elders and people with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, I, Mayor Anthony J. Penterman, on behalf of the residents of the City of Kaukauna, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, October 15, 2024 as

WHITE CANE SAFETY DAY

in the City of Kaukauna and also acknowledges the importance of pedestrian safety year-round.

Signed and sealed this 1^{st} day of October 2024.

Anthony J. Penterman, Mayor

