

Mayoral Proclamation

Walk & Roll to School Day – Wednesday, October 4, 2023

- WHEREAS, the Partnership for a Walkable America was the sponsor of the first National Walk Our Children to School Day in 1997; and
- WHEREAS, the day has become an international event with the US, Canada and the U.K. since 2000. *Safe Routes: National Center for Safe Routes to School* promotes and organizes the annual Walk & Roll to School Day event along with its network members throughout the Country; and
- WHEREAS, Walk & Roll to School Day invites students, families, and caretakers to use alternative forms of human-powered transportation, such as walking or rolling, to get to school; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park works with five local public schools and their affiliated parent teacher associations to build enthusiasm and encourage participation across the full school community; and
- WHEREAS, Takoma Park recognizes the importance of Walk & Roll to School Day to practice healthy habits that encourage regular physical activity, improve health and well-being, raise awareness of pedestrian safety, reduce car trips, and transition to sustainable forms of transportation to combat climate change and create a more livable community for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Talisha Searcy, Mayor of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 4, 2023 as Walk & Roll to School Day in Takoma Park.

Dated this 27th Day of September, 2023.

 Talisha Searcy	
Mayor	