



CITY OF SEBASTOPOL PROCLAMATION

Recognizing Week Without Driving September 29 – October 5, 2025

WHEREAS, transportation is essential for connecting people to jobs, schools, health care, and community life; and

WHEREAS, many residents of Sebastopol and Sonoma County—including youth, seniors, people with disabilities, and those with limited incomes—do not drive and must rely on walking, biking, public transit, carpooling, and other modes of transportation; and

WHEREAS, experiencing daily life without driving can help elected officials and community leaders better understand the challenges and barriers faced by nondrivers in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Week Without Driving challenge encourages City Councilmembers to go without driving for one week, from September 29 to October 5, 2025, to build awareness, empathy, and support for safe, accessible, and equitable transportation options for all; and

WHEREAS, this effort aligns with the City of Sebastopol's goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving public health, and enhancing Sebastopol as a great place to live that values community health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, Sebastopol is committed to fostering community vitality, equity, and resilience by supporting safe mobility choices for every resident, regardless of age, ability, or income.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Stephen Zollman, do hereby proclaim September 29 – October 5, 2025 as “Week Without Driving” in the City of Sebastopol, and encourages elected officials, community leaders, and residents to participate in the challenge, experience transportation in new ways, and work toward a more inclusive and accessible future for all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Sebastopol this 16th day of September 2025.

Stephen Zollman
Mayor