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WHEREAS, Alaska's extensive road and trail networks provide some of the most breathtaking views in the world, making our State an ideal destination for biking and walking, which are healthy and environmentally friendly transportation options; and

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in the number of pedestrians and cyclists on both our State and National roadways and trails, and they are at heightened risk and suffer the greatest harm when involved in traffic accidents; and

WHEREAS, transportation design can greatly increase safety for pedestrians and bicyclists by including speed reductions, separated pathways, sidewalks, and protected bike lanes; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities has established a rapid response fund to implement low-cost safety solutions quickly when problem areas are identified and is working in partnership with other state agencies including Department of Health to promote walking and other forms of active transportation; and

WHEREAS, we support the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities safety campaigns, including Partners in Safety, the Safe System Approach, and the nationwide Towards Zero Deaths initiative and participate in local feedback efforts and community safety discussions; and

WHEREAS, an increase in awareness, caution, and observance by drivers of vehicles is necessary to improve the safety of our roads for pedestrians and cyclists.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike Dunleavy, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as:

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in Alaska and encourage all Alaskans to renew their commitment to safe driving practices, to watch for pedestrians and cyclists, and to be mindful of all who share the road.

Dated: October 1, 2025