

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2024 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-079-2024

Proposed by The Chair (by request - County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Ivey, Watson, Olson, Oriadha, Dernoga,  
Hawkins and Burroughs

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction September 10, 2024

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 World Car Free Day 2024

3 For the purpose of expressing Prince George’s County’s support for declaring September 22,  
4 2024, as World Car Free Day in Prince George’s County.

5 WHEREAS, Prince George’s County is dedicated to a providing transportation alternatives  
6 and various mobility options that seek to move towards zero emissions and more efficient and  
7 equitable planning.

8 WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works and Transportation is the County’s Agency  
9 primarily tasked with implementing policies and programs to create a safer, more  
10 environmentally responsible multimodal transportation network.

11 WHEREAS, September 22, 2024, will be the 24th International Day of observance to  
12 encourage individuals to not use automobiles but instead to try alternative forms of sustainable  
13 transportation such as bicycling, walking and public transportation including TheBus as well as  
14 “car lite” methods such as carpools, vanpools, and teleworking.

15 WHEREAS, Car Free Day benefits Prince George’s County through improved air quality,  
16 mobility, energy conservation and reduced parking demands.

17 WHEREAS, Car Free Day gives Prince George’s County residents the opportunity to  
18 imagine the positive changes that could be realized in their County if there were fewer cars on  
19 the roads.

20 WHEREAS, Car Free Day invites citizens of the region to telework and try alternative  
21 forms of transportation such as bicycling, walking, transit and “car-lite” methods such as

1 carpools and vanpools in a safe and healthy manner.

2 WHEREAS, Car Free Day promotes physical activity and the improvement of the health of  
3 County residents by encouraging residents to get out and get active.

4 WHEREAS, Prince George’s County recognizes the plethora of benefits associated with  
5 reducing car trips and transitioning to sustainable forms of transportation including reducing  
6 traffic, conserving energy, reducing harmful emissions, improving the environment, reducing  
7 parking problems and most importantly combating climate change and creating a more livable  
8 community for all.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's  
10 County, Maryland, joined with the Prince George’s County Executive, do hereby designate  
11 September 22, 2024, as World Car Free Day in Prince George's County; and, to the degree  
12 possible, encourage all residents to get around without driving and instead ride a train, bus,  
13 bicycle, carpool, vanpool or walk and for those that have the ability to work from home or  
14 teleworking.

15 Adopted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.

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BY: Jolene Ivey  
Jolene Ivey  
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown  
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Clerk of the Council