ORDINANCE NO. 841

**AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE SECTION 94-5
OF THE CITY OF FORT ATKINSON CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES
RELATING TO AUTHORITY OF ADULT CROSSING GUARDS**

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes §349.215 and §120.13(31) provide authority to local governing bodies, including City Councils and School Boards, to appoint adult school crossing guards for the protection of persons who are crossing a highway in the vicinity of a school; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Atkinson employs adult crossing guards to assist children and adults safely travel to and from certain schools in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to adopt an ordinance providing authority to the crossing guards to stop traffic and keep traffic stopped for pedestrians in order for the City to have enforcement authority.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 94-5 of the City of Fort Atkinson Municipal Code is hereby created to read as follows:

"Sec. 94-5. – Adult School Crossing Guards.

(a) Authority. Pursuant to §349.215 and §120.13(31) of Wisconsin Statutes, those adult persons hired by the City of Fort Atkinson or the Fort Atkinson School District to act as "School Crossing Guards" shall have the authority to stop vehicular traffic and to keep it stopped as long as necessary at their respective school crossings for the purpose of permitting persons to cross the street.
(b) Unlawful to Disobey. It shall be unlawful for any person to refuse or fail to comply with any lawful order, signal, or direction of any adult School Crossing Guard given for the purpose of permitting persons to cross the street.
(c) Any violation of this ordinance may be subject to the penalties as found in Section 1-10 of the Municipal Code."

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect after passage, publication, and attestation as required by law.

Enacted by the City Council of the City of Fort Atkinson, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, this 20 day of August, 2024.

Fort Atkinson City Council

Davin Lescohier, President

ATTEST:

Michelle Ebbert, City Clerk/Treasurer/Finance Director