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**Committee(s) Assignment:** Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety

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& Traffic  
Safety*

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the best way to enjoy Chicago is as a pedestrian. As a pedestrian in Chicago, you have the opportunity to view the city's world class architecture, access the thousands of acres of parks, and experience the vibrant neighborhood street life in a way that no other mode of travel can offer; and

**WHEREAS**, pedestrians in Chicago face a variety of obstacles, ranging from disconnected routes, to poorly maintained or flooded sidewalks, to sidewalks that are not cleared of snow, to underpasses that are filled with debris, to bicyclists on the sidewalks and intersections with fast traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, pedestrians benefit from amenities such as shade trees, attractive street furniture and pedestrian-oriented storefronts; and

**WHEREAS**, pedestrian safety is a major challenge in Chicago, where there are more than 3,000 pedestrian crashes per year, and where children are more likely to be involved in crashes than adults; and

**WHEREAS**, the Draft Chicago Pedestrian Plan was created by the Mayor's Pedestrian Advisory Council and the Chicago Department of Transportation with input from Chicagoans from every corner of the city; and

**WHEREAS**, the Draft Chicago Pedestrian Plan contains many practical solutions designed to improve pedestrian safety and comfort, now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled October 5, 2011, do hereby request the City Council's Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety and the Chicago Department of Transportation to conduct three or more hearings at locations throughout Chicago to solicit public comments and feedback on the draft of the Chicago Pedestrian Plan; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Council's Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety and the Chicago Department of Transportation are requested to invite the Mayor's Pedestrian Advisory Council and advocacy groups to participate in these hearings.



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