



BOROUGH OF  
**LEWISBURG**  
PENNSYLVANIA

## **MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**

### **“WEEK WITHOUT DRIVING 2025”**

**WHEREAS**, access to mobility is fundamental to health, safety, access to opportunity, quality of life, and community connection, allowing Borough of Lewisburg residents to reach education and employment opportunities, medical services, shopping, recreation, and friends and family; and

**WHEREAS**, many community members cannot afford or are financially stretched to pay for car ownership and maintenance, which AAA estimates to cost \$12,297 a year (\$1,025 a month) to own a vehicle and recommends drivers spend no more than ten percent of their income on their car, meaning drivers would need to make \$120,000 a year to cover average costs for one car, though median income in the US is \$77,000 per household; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately a third of the people residing in Pennsylvania do not have a driver's license, either because of their age or a condition that does not allow them to drive; and

**WHEREAS**, public transportation and a strong network of accessible sidewalks and safe bike routes aren't available in every community, making it much more difficult to get around, visit family and friends, and take care of everyday tasks for those who cannot or do not drive; and

**WHEREAS**, going a week without driving is a great way to understand the limitations of the existing transportation network and get ideas for how we can improve transportation connectivity and access in order to better meet the needs of our community members;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kendy Alvarez, Mayor of the Borough of Lewisburg, do hereby proclaim Monday, September 29, to Sunday, October 5, 2025 as Week Without Driving, and encourage all people in the Borough of Lewisburg to join me in this special observance.

Kendy Alvarez  
Mayor, Borough of Lewisburg  
September 16, 2025