

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Bike Month was established as a national celebration in 1956 and is supported by the League of American Bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, the designation is meant to showcase the many benefits of bicycling and encourage more people to give biking a try; and

WHEREAS, May is also the time of year for people to celebrate Bike to Work Week from May 17 to May 23, 2021 as well as Bike to Work Day on May 21, 2021; and

WHEREAS, bicycling offers an opportunity to invest in more equitable access to key resources for communities and households without a car; and

WHEREAS, investing in connected and protected bike lanes and related facilities can be beneficial for local businesses; and

WHEREAS, bicycling has not only been shown to be an effective form of physically-distant active transportation during the COVID-19 pandemic, but also as a means of improving mental health; and

WHEREAS, greater support for biking policies, plans, and projects will be an integral part of addressing climate change;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eileen N. Weir, Mayor of the City of Independence, Missouri by virtue of the authority vested in me do hereby proclaim the month of May, as

BIKE MONTH

and call upon the people of Independence to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating biking activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Independence, Missouri, to be affixed this 29th day of March 2021.


MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK



City of Independence
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