Proclamation

Office of the Mayor City of Farmers Branch, Texas

**WHEREAS**, the League of American Bicyclists has declared May as National Bike Month and the North Central Texas Council of Governments supports May 20<sup>th</sup> as National Bike to Work Day; and

WHEREAS, creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, to boost community spirit, to improve traffic safety, and to reduce pollution and congestion; and

WHEREAS, the bicycle is an economical, healthy, convenient, and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation and enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, millions of Americans will experience the joys of bicycling during the month of May through educational programs, bike commuting, or just getting out and going for a ride; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Farmers Branch is in the process of implementing Phase 1 of the adopted Trail Master Plan that will enhance bicycling opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the education of bicyclists and motorists to share the lane is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users; and

*Now, therefore I,* Bob Phelps, by authority vested in me and on behalf of our City Council do hereby proclaim the month of May 2016 as

## National Bike Month

in Farmers Branch, Texas. I encourage all who support bicycling to participate in related activities and urge all road users to share the road safely with bicyclists. Get out and ride your bike!

Bob Phelps Mayor