



Legislation Text

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Proclamation recognizing May as National Bike Month in Farmers Branch

BACKGROUND:

Bicycling is a healthy, low-impact exercise that can be enjoyed by people of all ages that has grown in popularity over the past decade. Riding to work or the shops is one of the most time-efficient ways to combine regular exercise with your everyday routine. An estimated one billion people ride bicycles every day - for transport, recreation and sport. Statics show that 40% of all trips in the United States are less than two miles, making bicycling a feasible and fun way to travel.

The League of American Bicyclists recognize May as National Bike Month. Communities across America will raise awareness and showcase the numerous benefits of bicycling. Farmers Branch has actively participated in this campaign since 2015. Recently, the City hosted a 2.4 mile family friendly bicycle ride with the Mayor and on May 17th residents are invited to bike to work as part of the annual celebration of active transportation; businesses can celebration this event by encouraging their employees to park the car and bike to work on May 17th.

Staff will distribute education materials and maps to city facilities. The City installed four bicycle fix-it stations to make minor adjustments to your bicycle or inflate the tires. The standalone stations include an air pump and the most commonly used tools for simple bike maintenance. The stations are located at the Community Recreation Center; the Animal Adoption Center; the Rose Garden at Gussie Field Watterworth Park; and Fort Rawhide playground west of the Manske Library.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proclamation
2. Bicycle fix-it-station