



Mayoral Proclamation

Bike to Work Day - Friday, May 17, 2019

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting is an effective means to improve air quality, reduce traffic congestion, and conserve energy; and

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting benefits both employees and employers through better employee health and fitness as well as reduced commuting and parking costs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park is implementing bikeways improvements throughout the City to encourage and facilitate safe and convenient travel by bicycle; and

WHEREAS, Capital Bikeshare's regional bike sharing system continues to expand, with over 500 stations in Maryland, the District of Columbia and Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments promotes bicycling and organizes Bike to Work day along with the Washington Area Bicyclist Association; and

WHEREAS, Takoma Park Housing and Community Development staff coordinates two Bike to Work Day "pit stops" in the City, in partnership with local businesses; and

WHEREAS, the week of May 13–19 is National Bike to Work Week, which promotes bicycling as a viable means of transportation to and from work.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kate Stewart, Mayor of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, on behalf of the Council, staff and residents, hereby proclaim Friday, May 17, 2019 as Bike to Work Day, and encourage all residents and local employees to register to bike to work by visiting www.biketoworkmetrodc.org.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2019.

Kate Stewart
Mayor