



Mayoral Proclamation

*Recognizing Bike Month, Ride a Bike Day, Bike and Roll to School Day,
Bike to Work Week, and Bike to Work Day in 2024*

WHEREAS, throughout the month of May, Takoma Park will celebrate biking and the freedom, the joy, and the well-being it imbues within us, as well as the power that more people riding bikes has in making life better for everyone; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, May 5th is National Ride a Bike Day, May 8th is Bike to School Day, May 13th through 19th is Bike to Work Week, and May 17th is Bike to Work Day; and

WHEREAS, throughout the month of May, the residents of Takoma Park and its visitors can experience the joys of bicycling through learn-to-ride classes, commuting events, educational programs, bike rodeos, and/or by simply getting out and going somewhere by bike; and

WHEREAS, transportation is the leading source of total emissions in Takoma Park, and biking is an easy way for people to reduce their carbon footprint and advance the City's climate action plan; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed and working to make riding a bike a comfortable, convenient, connected, and enjoyable experience for all residents and visitors. The City maintains signed, on-street bike routes, bicycle parking, and public bike repair stations across the City; and

WHEREAS, Commuter Connections, Washington Area Bicycle Association, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, public health institutions, and businesses will be joining the League of American Bicyclists in promoting bicycling during the month of May 2024; and

WHEREAS, these groups are also promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education during Bike Month and year-round in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries and fatalities, and improve health and safety for everyone on the road.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TALISHA SEARCY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, hereby proclaim May 2024 as Bike Month in the City of Takoma Park and I urge all residents to join me in this special observance.

Dated this 24th day of April, 2024.

Talisha Searcy
Mayor