

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of Eugene, Oregon

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** The bicycle is an economical, healthy, convenient, and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation and enjoyment of Eugene's scenic beauty; and
- WHEREAS:** Throughout the month of May, the residents of Eugene and its visitors will experience the joys of bicycling through educational programs, races, commuting events, charity events, or by simply getting out and going for a ride; and
- WHEREAS:** Eugene has worked in partnership with the University of Oregon, LTD, and Peace Health to celebrate one year of our new bike share program, PeaceHealth Rides, which has provided over 10,000 active members more than 150,000 trips and a reduction of 165,465 pounds of carbon dioxide into our environment; and
- WHEREAS:** The City of Eugene has over 80 miles of on-street bike lanes, 40 miles of shared-use paths, a new 1.5 mile protected bikeway on East Amazon Drive, and many great projects being built during the summer of 2019, including a new protected bikeway for 13th Avenue and the "Northeast Livable Streets" project; and
- WHEREAS:** Creating a bicycling-friendly community has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, growing the economy of Eugene, attracting tourism dollars, improving traffic safety, supporting student learning outcomes, and reducing pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets and roads; and
- WHEREAS:** The League of American Bicyclists, WeBikeLane.org, Safe Routes to School, parks and recreation departments, police departments, public health districts, hospitals, companies and civic groups will be promoting bicycling during the month of May 2019; and
- WHEREAS:** These groups are also promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reach our Vision Zero goals and to reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities and improve the health and safety for everyone on the road; and
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Lucy Vinis, Mayor of the City of Eugene, Oregon, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as

"Bike Month"

in the City of Eugene, and I urge all residents to join me in this special observance.



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