

PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING MAY 2016 AS

National Bicycle Month

WHEREAS, May has been declared **National Bike Month** for each of the last 60 years since its inception in 1956; and

WHEREAS, millions of Americans will experience the joys of bicycling during the month of May through social rides, promotional events, educational programs, races, Bike to Work Day, Bike to Shop Day, Bike Month Bingo, Mothers’ Day Bike Rides, Bike to School Day, Open Streets events, trail work days, safe riding promotions, charity events, or just getting out and going for a ride; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County attracts thousands of bicyclists each year from the Bay Area region, providing economic, health, and scenic benefits to citizens of California and the world, and also hosts major events annually that attract regional and local bicyclists, including the Sunday Parkways on Cañada Road, Bike to Work Day, International Walk to School Day, Bike to Shop Day, Tour de Peninsula, North Fair Oaks Bike Rodeo, and Devil’s Slide Ride among many others; and

WHEREAS, these bicycling activities and attractions have a positive impact on San Mateo County’s economy and tourism industry and stimulate economic development by making the County attractive to businesses and citizens who enjoy the out of doors and healthy/active lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, County recognition of **National Bike Month** furthers San Mateo County’s efforts to be a bicycle-friendly community and increase the proportion of residents making some daily trips by bicycle, reducing County costs due to roadway wear-and-tear; and

WHEREAS, the League of American Bicyclists, regional bicycle coalitions, bicycle clubs, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, hospitals, companies and civic groups throughout California will be promoting bicycling as a leisure activity as well as an environmentally-friendly alternative to the automobile during the month of May 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition, North Fair Oaks Siena Youth Center, Commute.org and regional bicycle clubs and merchants, as well as organizations across the state support the official designation of **National Bike Month**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims May 2016 as **National Bike Month**, and Thursday, May 12, 2016, **Bike to Work Day**, and urges everyone to participate in the events planned and urges everyone traveling the roadways to share the road safely with people riding bicycles.

Dated: May 10, 2016

SUPERVISORS:

WARREN SLOCUM, PRESIDENT

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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors