

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2022

RECOGNIZING the month of May 2022 as National & Cincinnati Bike Month, the week of May 16, 2022 through May 20, 2022 as Bike to Work week, and Friday, May 20, 2022 as Bike to Work Day; and further **URGING** all road users to share the road safely.

WHEREAS, since 1956, the month of May has been declared National Bike Month; and

WHEREAS, over 20% of Cincinnatians do not own a car; and

WHEREAS, the bicycle is a viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the creation of bicycle friendly communities has been shown to promote economic development, improve citizens' health and quality of life, boost community spirit, improve traffic safety, and reduce pollution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering Bicycle Transportation Program, Queen City Bike, Cincinnati Cycle Club, Urban Basin Bicycle Club, Tri-State Trails, Cincinnati Off-Road Alliance (CORA), MOBO Bicycle Cooperative, and Red Bike, among many other organizations and local bike shops, will promote bicycle safety throughout the month of May; and

WHEREAS, bicycling activities and attractions have a positive impact on Cincinnati's economy and tourism, and stimulate economic development by attracting businesses and citizens who enjoy the outdoors and healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati requests that the Ohio Department of Transportation and the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council increase efforts to improve bike facilities and bike funding across our region to ensure we remain competitive with our peer cities, including Charlotte, Columbus, Denver, and Indianapolis, which have all made tens of millions of dollars of investments in bicycle transportation; and

WHEREAS, Cincinnati continues to further develop its robust trail and bike lane network with expanded development and planning of the Cincinnati Riding or Walking Network (CROWN), including Wasson Way Trail, the Ohio River Trail and Ohio River Trail West, the Little Miami Scenic Trail Beechmont Bridge Project, the Canal Bikeway, Central Parkway north and downtown, Ezzard Charles Drive, Court Street, Langdon Farm Road, and the connection of Lick Run to Dunham Recreation Center and Rapid Run Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati reminds motorists to give bicyclists three feet when passing, as required by both City ordinance and Ohio statute; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council hereby recognize the month of May 2022 as National Bike Month, the week of May 16, 2022 through May 20, 2022 as Bike to Work week, and Friday, May 20, 2022 as Bike to Work Day to encourage bicycling as a safe and accessible form of transportation and recreation.

Section 2. That the Mayor and this Council hereby urge all road users to share the roads safely.

Section 3. That copies of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and provided to the Ohio Department of Transportation, 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43223; and the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council, 720 E. Pete Rose Way, Suite 420 Cincinnati, OH 45202.

Passed: _____, 2022

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmembers Jeffreys and Owens