



Memorandum

TO: City Council

FROM: Alfred Lott, City Manager

SUBJECT: Proclamation P-10-22 National Bike Month

DATE: 04/28/2022

ATTACHMENTS: 1. 20220502 - Proclamation P-10-22



PROCLAMATION
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND
PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY 2022 AS
NATIONAL BIKE MONTH

WHEREAS, for more than a century, the bicycle has been an important part of the lives of most Americans; and

WHEREAS, established in 1956, and sponsored by the League of American Bicyclists, National Bike Month is celebrated in communities from coast to coast, and affords individuals the opportunity to showcase the many benefits of bicycling, and to encourage more folks to giving biking a try; and

WHEREAS, today millions of Americans engage in bicycling as an environmentally sound form of transportation, and an excellent form of fitness and quality family recreation; and

WHEREAS, the City has been an advocate of, and an active participant in developing and maintaining a City-wide system of on-road bike routes and off-road hiker-biker trails; and

WHEREAS, in September 2019, the City Council adopted a City-wide Trails Master Plan, with the goal of maintaining, expanding and enhancing the City's trail and bike route network; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has recognized the need to update the City's trails master plan that focuses on: trail safety; providing more bicycle and pedestrian friendly trails; trail connections to and from retail centers in the City; and, better promoting the City's trails network; and

WHEREAS, the City continues to work with local residents, biking enthusiasts and organizations and County and State officials to improve the City's trail and bike route system; and

WHEREAS, the City is represented on the Prince George's County Bicycle and Trails Advisory Group (BTAG), whose goal is to promote expansion of the trail and bike network throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, the City is fortunate to have the American Discovery Trail, a transcontinental hiker/biker trail, and the East Coast Greenway, a north-south national trail, traverse through our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland hereby proclaims the month of May 2022 National Bike Month in Bowie, Maryland and encourages Bowie and area residents to: benefit from the many rewards of bicycling; give biking a try; and, to take advantage of the City's numerous miles off-road and on-road trail network on a daily basis for recreational and, when possible, personal trips and trips to their school or work place.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED by the Council of the City of Bowie, Maryland at a Regular Meeting on the Second Day of May, 2022.

Timothy J. Adams
Mayor

Attest:

Awilda Hernandez, MMC
City Clerk