

ITEM 7 – Action

April 20, 2016

Approval of Regional Bike to Work Day 2016 Proclamation

Staff

Recommendation: Approve Proclamation

Issues: None

Background: In an effort to increase public awareness of the viability of bicycle commuting in the Washington region, regional Bike to Work Day events are being organized at seventy-nine locations in the region for Friday May 20. These events will encourage the business community and other regional decision-makers to support increased bicycle commuting through bicycle-friendly policies and initiatives. At the April 20 meeting the board will be asked to approve the Bike to Work Day 2016 Proclamation.



Proclamation

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting is an effective means to improve air quality, reduce traffic congestion, and conserve energy; and

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting benefits both employees and employers through better employee health and fitness, reduced commuting and parking costs; and

WHEREAS, increasing numbers of employers have installed bicycle parking and shower facilities to help encourage bicycle commuting; and

WHEREAS, the federal bicycle commuter benefit can be used by employers to assist employees with bicycle purchases, improvements, repair and storage; and

WHEREAS, Capital Bikeshare's regional bike sharing system has hundreds of stations within the District of Columbia, Alexandria, Arlington, and Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, the National Capital Area Transportation Planning Board through its Commuter Connections program promotes bicycling and organizes Bike to Work Day along with the Washington Area Bicyclist Association; and

WHEREAS, the week of May 16th is National Bike to Work Week, which promotes bicycling as a viable means of transportation to and from work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD:

1. Proclaims Friday, May 20, 2016 as Bike to Work Day throughout the Washington metropolitan region; and
2. Encourages TPB member jurisdictions to adopt similar proclamations in support of the event; and
3. Reminds all members of the importance of bicycle safety as advocated by the Street Smart campaign.



Pit Stops

NORTHEAST

Edgewood – Met Branch Trail
Ivy City
Fort Totten
NoMa
Union Market

NORTHWEST

Adams Morgan
Columbia Heights (Afternoon)
Franklin Square
Freedom Plaza
Georgetown Waterfront Park Area
Glover Park
Golden Triangle – L Street
Golden Triangle – Farragut Square
Mt. Vernon Triangle
National Geographic Society

SOUTHEAST

Anacostia
Capitol Hill at Eastern Market
Capitol Riverfront at Canal Park
Coast Guard HQ – Ward 8 SE

CHARLES

Indian Head

FREDERICK

Frederick City

MONTGOMERY

Bethesda
FDA White Oak
Friendship Heights
Gaithersburg
National Institutes of Health Bldg One
Naval Support Activity Bethesda
North Bethesda – US Nuclear Reg Commission
Rock Springs Business Park
Rockville – Falls Grove
Rockville – Town Center
Rockville – Twinbrook
Silver Spring – Discovery Place

PRINCE GEORGE'S

Bowie – Old Town
Bowie – Town Center
Capitol Heights
College Park – City Hall (Morning)
College Park – Metro (Afternoon)
Greenbelt
Hyattsville
Oxon Hill
Port Towns – Edmonston (Morning)
Port Towns – Edmonston (Afternoon)
Suitland
University of Maryland

TAKOMA PARK

Takoma Park – Downtown/Old Takoma
Takoma Park – Sligo Creek Trail
Takoma Park – Takoma/Langley Crossroads

ALEXANDRIA

Alexandria – Carlyle
Alexandria – Del Ray
Alexandria – Mark Center
Alexandria – Old Town

ARLINGTON

Arlington – Ballston
Arlington – Columbia Pike/Penrose Square
Arlington – Crystal City Water Park
Arlington – East Falls Church Metro Station
Arlington – Rosslyn
Arlington – Shirlington
Arlington – Shirlington (Afternoon)

FAIRFAX

Burke VRE Station
Fair Lakes
Fairfax City Downtown
Fairfax County Government Center
Falls Church
Fort Belvoir
Herndon
McLean
Mosaic
Mt. Vernon – Collingwood Park
Reston – Wiehle-Reston East Metrorail Station
Springfield/Metro Park at Walker Lane
Tysons Corner Center
Vienna

LOUDOUN

Leesburg
Sterling

PRINCE WILLIAM

Dumfries
Haymarket
Manassas – George Mason University
Manassas – Kelly Leadership Center
Manassas – VRE Station
Rippon Landing VRE Station
Woodbridge – Chinn Center
Woodbridge VRE