



WHEREAS, the bicycle plays an important role in the lives of many Rockville residents by providing a means to travel to work, school, and parks, and a popular form of recreation; and

WHEREAS, increased bicycle usage promotes health and wellness in the City of Rockville and is an important part of encouraging all residents to develop habits of physical activity to become or stay fit and reduce the risk of many chronic diseases and conditions; and

WHEREAS, increased bicycle usage helps reduce motor vehicle emissions and thereby reduces global warming impacts, reduces noise, provides mobility for those without access to a motor vehicle, and increases existing roadway and parking capacity when people choose bicycling for utilitarian trips; and

WHEREAS, the Rockville Public Works Department, along with the Recreation and Parks Department and Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee, promote and encourage bicycling through effective programs and partnerships that target distinct populations of all ages and backgrounds.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, do hereby proclaim **May 2025**, as **Bicycle Awareness Month** and urge all residents of Rockville to seek opportunities to ride bicycles this month and throughout the year, to recognize the importance of bicycle safety, and to be more aware of our cyclists on our streets and roadways.



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