**League of American Bicyclist Bike Month Proclamation Sample Text**

The City/County of \_\_\_\_

Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** the bicycle is an economical, healthy, convenient, and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation and enjoyment of [insert city/county]’s scenic beauty; and

**WHEREAS,** throughout the month of May, the residents of [insert city/county] and its visitors will experience the joys of bicycling through educational programs, races, commuting events, charity events, or by simply getting out and going for a ride; and

**WHEREAS,** [insert city/county]’s road and trail system attracts bicyclists each year, providing economic health, transportation, tourism, and scenic benefits; and

**WHEREAS,** creating a bicycling-friendly community has been shown to improve citizens’ health, well-being, and quality of life, growing the economy of [insert city/county], attracting tourism dollars, improving traffic safety, supporting student learning outcomes, and reducing pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets and roads; and

**WHEREAS,** [insert local bicycle club/ organization/chamber/tourism bureau/regional planning organization, the League of American Bicyclists, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, public health districts, hospitals, companies and civic groups] will be promoting bicycling during the month of May 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, these groups are also promoting bicycle tourism year round to attract more visitors to enjoy our local restaurants, hotels, retail establishments, and cultural and scenic attractions; and

**WHEREAS,** these groups are also promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities and improve health and safety for everyone on the road; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** \_\_\_\_\_, Mayor/Executive of [insert city/county], do hereby proclaim May 2021 as Bike Month in [insert city/county], and I urge all residents to join me in this special observance

Signed this \_\_\_ day of May, 2021 Mayor/Executive \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_