

Council Meeting Staff Report

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Title

Proclamation declaring the Month of May 2019 as "Bike Month" and the Week of May 13-17, 2019 as "Bike to Work Week" (accepted by Philo Shelton, Public Works Director)

Body

WHEREAS: On November 30, 2017, Los Alamos was designated as a Bronze status "Bicycle Friendly Community" by the League of American Bicyclists, and Los Alamos makes every effort to maintain this status; and

WHEREAS: The bicycle is a viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and excellent form of recreation; May has been named *National Bike Month* for the past 56 years, celebrated by offering educational programs, races, commuting events, trail work days, helmet promotion, or encouraging individuals to "go for a ride"; and

WHEREAS: Los Alamos' trail network attracts hundreds of bicyclists each year, providing economic, health and scenic benefits to our community and the world; bicycling activities and attractions have great potential to impact our economy and tourism industry and stimulate economic development by making Los Alamos attractive to businesses and citizens who enjoy the outdoors and healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS: Creating bicycle-friendly communities can improve citizen's health, well-being and quality of life - it can boost community spirit, improve traffic safety and reduce pollution and congestion - and education is key in providing a quality experience for everyone involved;

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the Council of the Incorporated County of Los Alamos, I do hereby proclaim the Month of May 2019 as

"BIKE MONTH"

in Los Alamos County, and the week of May 13-17, 2019 as

"BIKE TO WORK WEEK"

We encourage our citizens to participate in planned events, and to share the road safely.