Proclamation

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A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY, 2024, AS BIKE MONTH AND FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024, AS BIKE-TO-WORK DAY IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

§ 1. WHEREAS, today, millions of Americans engage in bicycling because it is a viable and environmentally friendly form of transportation, an excellent form of fitness, provides quality recreation, and helps relieve the fiscal strain of high gas prices; and

§ 2. WHEREAS, the education of cyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of bicycles is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users; and

§ 3. WHEREAS, the City of Norman continues to update its bicycle plan and bicycle transportation network, including several planned bicycle facilities such as the continued design and construction of multi-modal off-street bike paths along State Highway 9, along Flood Avenue from Robinson street to Tecumseh Road, and as a part of the James Garner Avenue extension over Robinson Street; and

§ 4. WHEREAS, the City of Norman has been designated by the League of American Bicyclists as an official **"Bicycle Friendly Community" for over 10 years**; and

§ 5. WHEREAS, the Norman Bicycle Advisory Committee, the Bicycle League of Norman, and independent cyclists throughout our state are promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce accidents, injuries and fatalities for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

§ 6. Do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2024, as Bike Month, and also proclaim Friday, May 17, 2024, as Bike-To-Work Day in the City of Norman and encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of bicycle safety, be more aware of cyclists on our streets and highways; and invite all to ride their bicycles to Andrews Park that morning as they bike to work for an 8:30 a.m. rally as a show of support for bicycle use for all those reasons named herein.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of May, 2024.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk