## CITY OF WESTWOOD, KANSAS

## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, Bike Month was established as a national celebration in 1956 and is supported by the League of American Bicyclists; and
- WHEREAS, the designation is meant to showcase the many benefits of bicycling and encourage more people to give biking a try; and
- WHEREAS, May 5, 2024 is National "Ride a Bike Day"; and
- WHEREAS, May 8, 2024 is National "Bike to School Day"; and
- WHEREAS, May is also the time of year for people to celebrate "Bike to Work Week" from May 13 to May 19, 2024 as well as "Bike to Work Day" on May 17, 2024; and
- WHEREAS, bicycling offers an opportunity to invest in more equitable access to key resources for communities and households without a car; and
- WHEREAS, bicycling is a form of active transportation which can contribute to more physical activity and improved mental health; and
- WHEREAS, investing in connected and protected bike infrastructure and related facilities can be beneficial for local businesses; and
- WHEREAS, the emergence of electric-assist bicycles and cargo bicycles have vastly expanded the possibilities of bicycling as a utilitarian form of transportation capable of helping people to take fewer car trips; and
- WHEREAS, greater support for biking policies, plans, and projects will be an integral part of addressing climate change;
- **NOW, THEREFORE, I**, David E. Waters, Mayor of the City of Westwood, Kansas, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2024 is designated as bike month in Westwood, Kansas.

## PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF WESTWOOD, KANSAS THIS 9TH DAY OF MAY, 2024.

David E. Waters Mayor

## ATTEST:

Abby Schneweis City Clerk