

WHEREAS, promoting alternative forms of transportation, such as bicycling, helps to improve health and well-being while reducing emissions, traffic congestion, and America's dependence on fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve quality of life by fostering community spirit, improving traffic safety, and stimulating economic growth; and

WHEREAS, bicycle infrastructure in the Truckee Meadows offers great potential and opportunities to positively impact our recreation and tourism industry by making the region attractive to residents, visitors, and new incoming businesses who enjoy healthy lifestyles and the outdoors; and

WHEREAS, Nevadans will experience the joys and benefits of bicycling during the month of May through educational and safety programs, community events, or going for an individual or group bike rides; and

WHEREAS, the education of our entire community on the proper and safe operation of motor vehicles and bicycles sharing the use of streets is important to ensure the safety and respect of all users on Nevada roadways; and

WHEREAS, the month of May has been declared National Bike Month since 1956,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON SMITH, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2019 as:

"NATIONAL BIKE MONTH AND BICYCLE SAFETY MONTH"

AND "WASHOE COUNTY BIKE MONTH"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 10th day of April, 2019.

RON SMITH, Mayor

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ATTEST:

LISA HUNDERMAN, City Clerk