

A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING MAY 2018 AS NATIONAL BIKE MONTH, AND,
MAY 9, 2018, AS INTERNATIONAL BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY, AND MAY 14 TO MAY 18,
2018 AS NATIONAL BIKE TO WORK WEEK, WITH MAY 15TH AS NATIONAL BIKE TO
WORK DAY

WHEREAS, Policies 3.25 and 4.31 of the *Carrboro Vision 2020 Plan* set a goal of increasing the safety and comfort of pedestrians, and encourage the Town to implement its bicycle and pedestrian network plan, respectively; and

WHEREAS, one key way to promote an active lifestyle among Carrboro children is by encouraging walking and bicycling to school; and

WHEREAS, the National Center for Safe Routes to School 2016 report “Trends in Walking and Bicycling to School from 2007 to 2014,” revealed that bicycling to and from school remained flat between 2007-08 and 2014, although walking saw a significant uptick; and

WHEREAS, Policy 5.0 of the *Carrboro Vision 2020 Plan* indicates that the town should serve as a leader in protecting the environment and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the National Safe Routes to School Partnership indicates that schools which are designed so that children can walk and bike to school have measurably better air quality; and

WHEREAS, implementing Safe Routes to School planning activities and events is recommended by the 2009 Carrboro Comprehensive Bicycle Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education endorsed the 2012 Carrboro Safe Routes to School Action Plan, which recommends establishing a regular Walk and Bike to School Day; and

WHEREAS, the Town continues to promote bicycling via specialized events, such as the bike on bus event, scheduled for May 12th at Farmers Market, the bicycle breakfast on May 15, 2018, part of Bike to Work Week, in conjunction with its partners: the Town of Chapel Hill and the Carrboro Bicycle Coalition;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Lydia Lavelle, Mayor of the Town of Carrboro, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May as National Bicycle Month in Carrboro and May 9th as Carrboro Walk/Bike to School Day, May 14th through 18th as Carrboro Bike to Work Week and May 15th as Carrboro Bike to Work Day.

This is the 24th day of April in the year 2018.