



Proclamation

of the
**Humboldt County Association of Governments
Board of Directors**

Recognizing May 2026 as Bike Month Humboldt

WHEREAS, bicycling is part of the solution for addressing transportation needs, such as increasing mobility for youth and other people who do not drive, providing low-cost transportation options, and increasing access and connectivity while reducing traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, bicycling is an economic driver in areas with commuter or recreational bike facilities, and studies show that people spend more money overall at local businesses when they bike than when they drive; and

WHEREAS, bicycle travel helps improve air quality and can help us achieve goals to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting promotes physical activity, which leads to better fitness, lower health care costs, and improved mental health due to stress reduction; and

WHEREAS, HCAOG supports bicycle and pedestrian planning as a regional transportation priority, and has adopted Safe and Sustainable Transportation Targets to double the number of all trips made by walking, bicycling and transit; and

WHEREAS, HCAOG joins the Bike Month Humboldt Coalition in supporting Humboldt jurisdictions and communities in their efforts to advance and improve bicycling for all; and

WHEREAS, the month of May is National Bike Month, and May is also Clean Air Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of the Humboldt County Association of Governments:

- I. Finds increasing bicycle use is in the local, state, national and global interest; and
- II. Proclaims May 2026 as BIKE MONTH HUMBOLDT; and
- III. Encourages member jurisdictions to adopt similar proclamations supporting Bike Month; and
- IV. Encourages residents and visitors to participate in Bike Month events and other activities that contribute to the health and vitality of the community and the environment.

Attest:

Brendan Byrd, Executive Director

Mike Johnson, Board Chair