## CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA

## PROCLAMATION

## Recognizing May as National Bike Month

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond is dedicated to sustainability and economic development, and

WHEREAS, the bicycle is an economical, healthy, convenient, and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation and enjoyment of Richmond's scenic beauty; and

WHEREAS, bicycling is a form of active transportation and the City of Richmond supports increased use of bicycles as a commute mode of transportation, and

WHEREAS, creating a bicycling-friendly community has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, attracting tourism dollars, improving traffic safety, supporting student learning outcomes, and reducing pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets and roads; and

WHEREAS, Richmond's roads and trails attracts bicyclists all year, providing economic health, transportation, tourism, and scenic benefits; and

WHEREAS, a Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Plan was approved by City Council in February 2023, with the goal of improving safe, efficient, and convenient bicycle and pedestrian travel within the City, and

WHEREAS, throughout the month of May, the residents of Richmond and its visitors will experience the joys of bicycling through events such as Bike-to-Wherever Day and Self-Care Sunday Rides; and

WHEREAS, Rich City Rides, the Richmond Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Bike East Bay, the City of Richmond, the League of American Bicyclists, and others will be promoting bicycling during the month of May 2023; and

WHEREAS, these groups are also promoting greater public awareness in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities and improve health and safety for everyone on our streets.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Richmond City Council on May 2, 2023, does hereby proclaim May as Bike Month in Richmond, California in recognition of this City's commitment to sustainability and economic development and the encouragement of bicycling as a form of active transportation.

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