

AGENDA REPORT

Mayor's Office

DATE:	April 30, 2024
TO:	Members of the City Council
FROM:	Mayor Martinez and Councilmember Robinson
Subject:	May is National Bike Month
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	None
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	May 2, 2023
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	May is National Bike Month, a celebration of biking as transportation, as recreation, as essential to our wellbeing and everyday lives.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	PROCLAMATION recognizing May as National Bike Month and encouraging residents to participate in biking events – Councilmember Doria Robinson (510-620-6593) and Mayor Eduardo Martinez (510-620-6503).

DISCUSSION:

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.

The City of Richmond supports increased use of bicycles as a commute mode of transportation and recreation. Bike lanes have been installed throughout Richmond and to expand the Bay Trail.

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.

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.

The City of Richmond encourages residents to ride their bikes throughout the month of May to experience the joys of bicycling through events such as Bike-to-Wherever Day and Self-Care Sunday Rides.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED: ATTACHMENT A – BIKE MONTH PROCLAMATION