



Bike Month Proclamation

WHEREAS, throughout the month of May, the City of Marquette will celebrate biking and the freedom, the joy, and the well-being it imbues within us, as well as the power that more people riding bikes has in making life better for everyone; and,

WHEREAS, May 13-19, 2024 is "Bike to Work Week" and May 17, 2024 is "Bike to Work Day"; and,

WHEREAS, throughout the month of May, the residents of the City of Marquette and its visitors will hopefully experience the joys of bicycling by commuting to work, riding on our local trail systems, or simply getting out and going somewhere by bike; and,

WHEREAS, bicycling has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, grow the economy of the City of Marquette by attracting tourism and increasing spending at local businesses, and reduce pollution, congestion and parking costs on our streets and roads; and,

WHEREAS, the numerous community organizations dedicated to bike recreation, programming, and infrastructure in the City of Marquette have made an outstanding impact to the health and prosperity of the local community and economy; and,

WHEREAS, the City and these groups promote the use of the bicycle as both a means of transportation and recreation year-round to attract residents and visitors to enjoy our local parks and trail systems, as well as businesses and cultural and scenic attractions along these routes; and,

WHEREAS, the City encourages greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education during Bike Month and year-round in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries and fatalities and improve health and safety for everyone on the road; and,

NOW THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Marquette, does hereby proclaim May 2024 as Bike Month in the Marquette, Michigan.

DATED this 29th day of April, 2024.

Jessica Hanley, Mayor ProTempore