PROCLAMATION Bike to Work Day

WHEREAS. May is national Bike Month and has been celebrated in communities from coast to coast since 1956; and WHEREAS. the bicycle is an economical, healthy, convenient and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation and enjoyment of all the City has to offer; and WHEREAS. bicycle commuting is an effective way to improve air quality, reduce traffic congestion and conserve energy while also improving health and fitness: and WHEREAS. employees and employers benefit when their place of work is a bicycle-friendly business and increasing numbers of City businesses have installed bicycle parking facilities to encourage bicycle use; and National Bike to Work Day is May 16th, which promotes bicycling as WHEREAS, a viable means of transportation to and from work and the City celebrates Bike to Work Day with a pit stop at City Hall; and WHEREAS. creating a bicycling-friendly community has been shown to improve residents' health, well-being and quality of life. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fazlul Kabir, Mayor of the City of College Park, Maryland, do hereby proclaim the month of May to be Bicycle Month throughout the City of College Park and encourage all residents and visitors to try bicycling for recreation and as an alternative to driving. Proclaimed this **14th** day of **May**, 2024. Fazlul Kabir, Mayor City of College Park