



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the bicycle is a viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent form of recreation; and

WHEREAS, millions of New Jerseyans will experience the joys of bicycling during the month of May through educational programs, races, commuting events, trail work days, helmet promotion, charity events or just getting out and going for a ride; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's numerous bike routes attract thousands of bicyclists each year, providing economic, health and scenic benefits to residents of New Jersey and beyond; and

WHEREAS, these bicycling activities and attractions have great potential to have a positive impact on New Jersey's economy and tourism industry and to stimulate economic development by making the state attractive to businesses and residents who enjoy the outdoors and healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve residents' health, well-being and quality of life, boost community spirit, improve traffic flow and reduce pollution; and

WHEREAS, educating bicyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of their vehicles is paramount to ensuring the safety and comfort of all roadway users; and

WHEREAS, the League of American Bicyclists, the New Jersey Bike and Walk Coalition, New Jersey's eight Transportation Management Associations, bicycle clubs, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, hospitals, companies and civic groups throughout New Jersey will be promoting bicycling as a leisure activity as well as an environmentally-friendly alternative to driving automobiles during the month of May; and

WHEREAS, National Bike to School Day is Wednesday, May 9, 2018 and National Bike to Work Day is May 18, 2018;

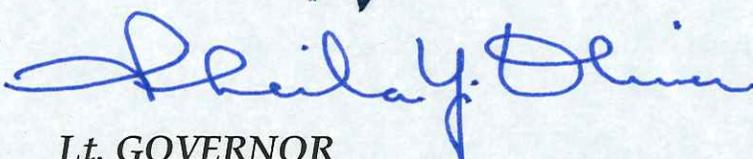
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

**MAY 2018
AS
BIKE MONTH**

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this seventeenth day of May in the year two thousand eighteen, the two hundred forty-second year of the Independence of the United States.


Lt. GOVERNOR


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