## **ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

## Proclamation

## **BIKE MONTH**

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting is an effective means to improve air quality, reduce traffic congestion and conserve energy; and

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting benefits both employees and employers through better health and fitness and reduced commuting and parking costs; and

**WHEREAS,** Arlington County is home to an expansive bicycle network, including some of the region's most popular bicycle trails; and

WHEREAS, Arlington has a growing population of cyclists who are actively involved in shaping county, regional, state, and national transportation and community policies; and

WHEREAS, Arlington is recognized as a Silver-Level Bicycle Friendly Community by the League of American Bicyclists and strives to improve on this status; and

**WHEREAS,** the National Center for Safe Routes to Schools has designated May 3, 2023, to be National Bike and Roll to School Day; and

**WHEREAS,** the League of American Bicyclists has declared the week of May 15-19, 2023, to be Bike to Work Week; and

**WHEREAS,** the National Capital Regional Transportation Planning Board has proclaimed May 19, 2023, to be Bike to Work Day throughout the Washington metropolitan region, of which Arlington is a part;

**NOW, THEREFORE I,** Christian Dorsey, Chair of the County Board of Arlington, Virginia, do hereby proclaim **May 2023** as

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in Arlington County and urge all residents to support and participate in these and other activities that contribute to the health of the community and the environment.

Christian Dorsey

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Chair