



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

No appropriation required.

Title

Proclaiming June 1-8, 2019 as Madison Bike Week in the City of Madison.

Body

WHEREAS, Madison has been consistently recognized as one of the most bikeable cities in the United States, including by the League of American Bicyclists as a Platinum "Bicycle Friendly Community" and by People for Bikes in their top-10 best places for biking in the US; and,

WHEREAS, Madison has a proud history of embracing biking as a safe, accessible, and sustainable form of transportation for people of all ages and abilities in our community; and,

WHEREAS, Madison has invested in and supported biking in our community, including through the creation of 61 miles of off street paths and protected bikeways and 154 miles of bike lanes and bike boulevards; and,

WHEREAS, biking is among the most popular recreational activities for residents and guests in the city of Madison including on some of the most travelled bikeways in the state like the Lake Loop and SW Commuter Path; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Madison is expected to grow by 70,000 residents by 2040 and that biking will play an important role in maintaining and improving mobility as our population grows; and,

WHEREAS, increasing bikeability for people of all ages & abilities has been identified as a key transportation strategy in the Madison Sustainability, Madison in Motion, and Imagine Madison plans and has been consistently recommended in our adopted special area and neighborhood plans; and,

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Bike Week is celebrated in cities across the state from June 1st through June 8th; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Madison, Madison Bikes, and numerous local businesses and civic groups have collaborated to organize over 40 events for Madison Bike Week including bike stations, bike repair events, group rides, and the 11th annual Ride the Drive; and,

WHEREAS, Madison Bike Week is an opportunity to celebrate and promote biking in the City of Madison,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby proclaim June 1-8, 2019 as Madison Bike Week and urge all who enjoy and support bicycling to participate in this city-wide celebration.