

Proclamation

Bicycle Month of May

WHEREAS: For more than a century, the bicycle has been an important part of the lives of most Americans; and the bicycle is a viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent form of recreation; and

WHEREAS: Creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, to boost community spirit, to improve traffic safety, and to reduce air pollution and road congestion; and

WHEREAS: Education, starting at a young age, of all would-be cyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of bicycles and motor vehicles is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users; and

WHEREAS: Cyclists, students, parents and community leaders throughout our state are promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education for bicyclists and motorists in an effort to reduce accidents, injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, Baldwin City citizens of all ages, ability, family background and socioeconomic status will experience the joys of bicycling through encouragement activities, educational programs, community events and earn-a-bike programs, helmet promotion, or just getting out and going for a ride;

WHEREAS: Baldwin City seeks to encourage symbiotic partnerships with organizations to promote bicycle awareness and education through the efforts of the Lawrence-Douglas County Bicycle Advisory Committee and other groups;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Marilyn Pearse, Mayor of the City of Baldwin City, Kansas, do hereby proclaim month of May, 2016 to be

“BICYCLE MONTH”

and the week of May 16-20, 2016 as

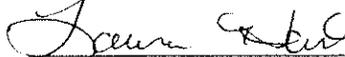
“BIKE-TO-WORK WEEK”

in the City of Baldwin City and encourage everyone who is able to represent our city in the

“NATIONAL BIKE CHALLENGE”

event beginning May 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016.

Attest:


Laura Hartman, City Clerk

