

City of Eureka

# Proclamation



In recognition of

## *Bike Month Humboldt May 2023*

*Whereas,* bicycle travel is an effective means to improve air quality, reduce traffic congestion and noise, reduce energy consumption, increase physical activity, and improve public health; *and*

*Whereas,* bicycle commuting benefits both employees and employers through better employee health and fitness, reduced costs for commuting and auto parking, and increased employee well-being; *and*

*Whereas,* the City of Eureka has completed the Eureka Waterfront Trail and Elk River Extension which will continue to stimulate increased bicycle and other non-motorized use in the City; *and*

*Whereas,* the City of Eureka was awarded a Caltrans Sustainable Communities Grant to complete a Bike Plan that will serve as a city-wide bike facility planning document; *and*

*Whereas,* the League of American Bicyclists has designated the City of Eureka as a Bicycle Friendly Community at the "Bronze" level because the City exhibits a sustained commitment to cycling; *and*

*Whereas,* the voters of the City of Eureka in November 2020 passed Measure H which will provide increased funding for the improvement and maintenance of the City's bikeway system; *and*

*Whereas,* the League of American Bicyclists has designated May as Bike Month nationally; *and*

*Whereas,* the Bike Month Humboldt Coalition offers many events for bicycle riders of all ages to celebrate bicycling in the Humboldt Bay area in May, including a "Bicycle Celebration" at the Jefferson Community Center on Saturday, May 20.

*Now, therefore, I Mayor Kim Bergel, on behalf of the Eureka City Council,* do hereby proclaim .

I. May 2023 as BIKE MONTH HUMBOLDT in the City;

II. Proclaims May 18, 2023 as BIKE TO WORK DAY in the City;

III. Invites all citizens to support and participate in these and other activities that contribute to the health of the community and the environment (for details, see bikemonthhumboldt.org); *and*

IV. Urges businesses to provide bike parking and other provisions to support bicycle use in the City; *and*

V. Encourages its residents and visitors to ride safely when bicycling in the City; *and* for motorists to be safe and respectful of cyclists sharing the roads of the City; *and*

V. Encourages residents to ride a bicycle to meet as many of their transportation needs as possible.

*Kim Bergel*  
Mayor  
May 2nd, 2023