



CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:

BIKE MONTH

WHEREAS, for more than a century, the bicycle has been an important part of the lives of many Americans, and today, residents of all ages throughout our great Commonwealth engage in bicycling for transportation, recreation, fitness, and fun; and

WHEREAS, bicycling is an efficient form of transportation and offers independent mobility for many Virginians traveling between work, school, and home, and the use of bicycles for transportation benefits all residents of Virginia as it eases traffic congestion and produces no air pollution; and

WHEREAS, bicycling is recognized as an activity that can reduce the onset of chronic disease and reduce childhood obesity, and consideration of bicycling in public planning, as in programs such as Safe Routes to School, will help create healthier and more active communities in Virginia; and

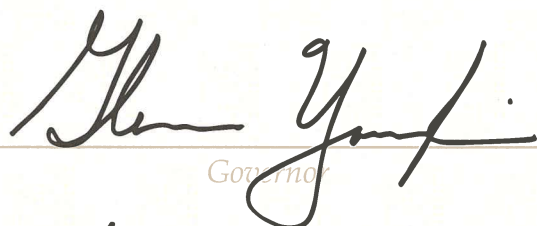
WHEREAS, bicycling offers a unique perspective from which residents and visitors may discover Virginia's natural beauty, history, and culture, and a vast network of scenic rural roads and pleasant weather conditions make the Old Dominion a favorite tourist destination for bicycling enthusiasts; and

WHEREAS, an exceptional way to experience the Commonwealth's captivating beauty and rich history is by riding along one of its scenic Rails-to-Trails biking paths, such as the Virginia Creeper Trail, the Tobacco Heritage Trail, or the Washington & Old Dominion Rail Trail, among others; and

WHEREAS, Bike Month provides an opportunity to increase public awareness of the many benefits of bicycling, to promote bicycle safety, and to encourage bike riding through organized activities such as Bike-to-Work events, club rides, family rides, and bike rodeos for children;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Glenn Youngkin, do hereby recognize May 2025, as **BIKE MONTH** in the COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.




Governor


Secretary of the Commonwealth