

# CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE



## *Proclamation*

### **Bike Month 2025**

**WHEREAS** bicycling is a healthy, clean, efficient and affordable mode of transportation and recreation used by thousands of citizens and residents of all ages throughout our great Commonwealth and City; and

**WHEREAS** traveling by bicycle has been proven to alleviate traffic congestion and reduce pollution associated with vehicular travel, and offer significant mental and physical health benefits to bicyclists themselves; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Charlottesville has undertaken ambitious goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and is committed to providing more multi-modal transportation options for all residents; and

**WHEREAS** Charlottesville, Albemarle County, and the University of Virginia, alongside a large cohort of businesses, agencies and community groups, are hosting many bicycling events that promote awareness, safety, new travel options, as well as building community; and

**WHEREAS** these groups, and many others, are also promoting the use of the bicycle as both a means of transportation and recreation year-round to improve community health, economic vitality, environmental stewardship and the simple joy of being active outdoors;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Charlottesville City Council recognizes the month of May 2025 as Bike Month in the City of Charlottesville, encouraging all who support bicycling to participate in the events planned, and urging all road users to share the road safely.

Signed and sealed this 5th day of May 2025.

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Juandiego Wade, Mayor

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Kyna Thomas, Clerk