

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

PROCLAMATION

- Whereas:** In Washington, hundreds of thousands of people travel by bicycle for transportation and recreational purposes, providing economic, health, and environmental benefits; and
- Whereas:** Creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life – boosting community spirit, improving traffic safety, and reducing pollution and congestion; and
- Whereas:** The League of American Bicyclists, Washington Bikes, Cascade Bicycle Club, local bicycle clubs, schools, cities, parks and recreation departments, police departments, hospitals, companies, and civic groups throughout Washington will be promoting bicycling during the month of May 2018; and
- Whereas:** These groups are also promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities; and
- Whereas:** In 2018 King County has opened 2.7 miles of bike paths on the Eastside Rail Corridor, and the City of Bellevue will open 19 miles of new bike lanes citywide, including a new Downtown Demonstration Bikeway; and
- Whereas:** The City is also facilitating the introduction of bike share citywide, and will be hosting Choose Your Way Bellevue welcome stations during Bike Everywhere Day on May 18.

Now, therefore, I, John Chelminiak, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington and on behalf of its City Council, do hereby proclaim **May 2018 as:**

Bike Everywhere Month

in Bellevue, and urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

John L. Chelminiak
Mayor