

Proclamation by the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors Proclaiming the Month of May, 2008 to be Bike Commute Month

WHEREAS, for more than a century, the bicycle has been an important part of the working and recreational lives of Americans; and,

WHEREAS, today, millions of Americans engage in bicycling because it is a viable and environmentally-sound form of transportation that effectively improves air quality, reduces traffic congestion and noise, and contributes to the conservation of energy, as well as, provides an excellent form of fitness, is fun, affordable, and a quality family recreational activity; and,

WHEREAS, in El Dorado County, from El Dorado Hills to South Lake Tahoe, a growing population of recreational and commuter cyclists are actively involved in shaping county, city, regional and national transportation policies by working toward the expansion of bike lanes, trails and cycling incentives; and,

WHEREAS, by engaging in bicycling as an alternative form of transportation, the environmental impacts of the automobile are minimized thereby preserving the natural treasures of El Dorado County and improving the quality of life for residents and visitors; and,

WHEREAS, the month of May is also regarded a "National Bike Month", Million Mile May", "Clean Air Month" with "Bike to Work Day" slated for Thursday May 17th, all in support and celebration of cycling as a fun and effective way to improve ourselves and our world.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado does herewith proclaim May, 2008, to be **BIKE COMMUTE MONTH** and encourages county and city residents to ride a bike as often as possible throughout the month of May and beyond.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 29th day of April, 2008.

Attest: Cindy Keck Clerk of the Board of Supervisors By

Deputy Clerk