

Legislation Text

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Supervisor Knight recommending the Board adopt a Proclamation recognizing International Mountain Bicycling Association's (IMBA) 8th Annual "Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day" on Saturday, October 6, 2012, celebrating the joy of riding on trails. The Friends of El Dorado Trail and El Dorado Western Railroad join together in supporting this event in our community. "What is Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day?

TKMBD is an annual celebration held on the first Saturday of October. The event, developed and coordinated by IMBA, strives to encourage communities around the world to join together and ride mountain bikes with youth. Last year, we had more than 13,000 participants at hundreds of events across the globe, including: Italy, Australia, South Africa, Canada, Malaysia, and Mexico. Informal or formal, one child or one hundred children, TKMBD celebrates the joy of riding in the dirt.

Besides being good, healthy fun, the goal is to develop a connection between kids and the natural world around them. Today's children are tomorrow's land managers and politicians - future decision-makers for important matters like recreation and access to public lands. How different might our current access landscape look today if previous generations of policy makers had grown up riding bikes on natural-surface trails?

Emphasis on Military Families in U.S.

In the U.S. this year, IMBA is reaching out to our nation's military families stationed at home and abroad. We're proud to help promote the shared mission of the National Military Family Association, the White House's Joining Forces and the Sierra Club's Military Families and Veterans Initiative. Let's do our part to put some smiles on these young, brave faces."