



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, the bicycle is a legitimate, viable, and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent form of recreation; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabama's thousands of miles of rural roads, multiple world class mountain bike trails, and dedicated bicycle and walking trails including The Chief Ladiga Trail and Orange Beach Trail, which attract thousands of bicyclists each year from all 50 states and from across the globe, providing economic, health, and scenic benefits to citizens of Alabama and the world; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabama annually hosts over a dozen major recreational bicycle rides that attract thousands of cross-country and local bicyclists each year, including Bo Bikes Bama, Cheaha Challenge, Glassner Autumn Challenge and many other outstanding organized group rides; and*

*WHEREAS, creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve citizen health, well-being and quality of life, to boost community spirit, to improve traffic safety, and to reduce pollution and congestion; and*

*WHEREAS, the League of American Bicyclists, the Alabama Bicycle Coalition (AlaBike), bicycle clubs including the Montgomery Bicycle Club, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, hospitals, companies and civic groups throughout Alabama will be promoting bicycling as a leisure activity as well as an environmentally friendly alternative to the automobile during the month of May 2022; and*

*WHEREAS, the education of bicyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of bicycles is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users;*

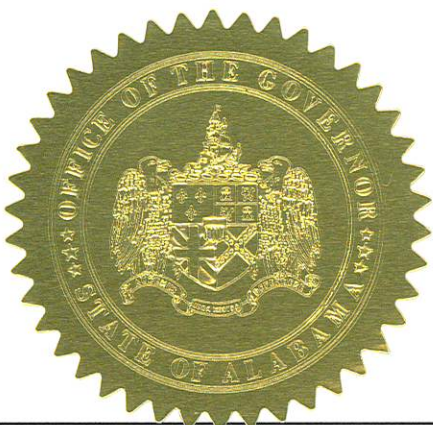
*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 16 through May 20, 2022, as*

# *Bike to Work Week*

*and the month of May 2022 as*

# *Bike Month*

*in the state of Alabama.*



*Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.*

*Kay Ivey*

*Kay Ivey, Governor*