

**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, transportation accounts for about a third of the energy use in Washington State, and about half of CO2 emissions from fossil fuel; and*

*WHEREAS, bicycling is one of the cleanest and most energy-efficient forms of transportation; and*

*WHEREAS, bicycling is a mode of transportation well suited to small cities like Olympia, where many of our trips are short; and*

*WHEREAS, bicycle commuting can help reduce congestion and offset costly transportation system expansion; and*

*WHEREAS, bicycle commuting makes people healthier, more productive, and reduces chronic diseases through physical activity, and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has an extensive bicycle network which includes a Bike Corridor, 32 miles of bicycle lanes and 10 miles of the regional trail system within City limits, and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Olympia continues to expand the bicycle network, and*

*WHEREAS, Intercity Transit, with many sponsors including the Capital Bicycling Club and 48 local and regional businesses, is hosting the 30th Annual Bicycle Commuter Contest during the month of May 2017.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in recognition of the 47<sup>th</sup> Earth Day and the 60<sup>th</sup> National Bike Month, the Olympia City Council hereby proclaims the month of May 2017 as*

**“BICYCLE COMMUTER MONTH”**

*in the City of Olympia and encourages all citizens to ride their bikes to work, school and on their errands during the month of May, and throughout the year.*

**SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF May, 2017.**  
**OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL**

*Cheryl Selby  
Mayor*