

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, for more than a century, the bicycle has been an important part of the lives of most Americans; and

Whereas, today, millions of Americans engage in bicycling as an environmentally sound form of transportation, an excellent form of fitness, and quality family recreation; and

Whereas, cycling is a community asset and source of identification; serves as attraction and location factor for new residents and businesses; provides a key quality of life amenity; and draws tourism spending; 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; and

Whereas, bicycle commuting benefits both employees and employers through better employee health and fitness; reduced commuting and parking congestion; and

Whereas, the National Household Travel Survey showed that the number of trips made by bicycles in the U.S. more than doubled from 1.7 billion in 2001, to 4 billion in 2009, and even more today; and

Whereas, the League of American Bicyclists has established May as National Bicycle Month, and bicycling is celebrated throughout the country during May; and

Whereas, in June 2018, 20-year resident of Oregon City, Kraig Pauli age 51, finished 5th place in the annual unsupported bicycle race called the Trans AM. The race covered 4200 miles through 10 states from Astoria, Oregon to Yorktown, Virginia. Kraig was 3rd in bicycles to finish in 18 days, 14 hours and 46 minutes an average 226 miles a day; and

Whereas, the City of Oregon City would like to honor and congratulate Kraig Pauli for his dedication, perseverance, and excellent job in this race, along with encouraging other members of the community to enjoy bike riding for all of the health and environmental benefits.

Now, Therefore, I, Dan Holladay, Mayor of the City of Oregon City, do proclaim:

July 9 – July 13, 2018

As

BIKE TO WORK, BIKE TO PLAY WEEK

And, encourage citizens of Oregon City to try bicycling as fun and sensible mode of transportation and recreation.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 5th day of July, 2018.

DAN HOLLADAY, Mayor