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Pima County Board of Supervisors

To: Melissa Manriquez, Clerk of the Board

From: Matt Heinz, Supervisor, District 2

Date: April 2, 2025

RE: BOS Regular Agenda 4/15/25: April Bike Month Proclamation

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Heinz", is written over the "From" line.

Please add this item to the 4/15/25 Agenda for the BOS Meeting; proclaiming April 2025 to be Bike Month in Pima County.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Pima County is committed to promoting cycling as a sustainable and healthy mode of transportation, fostering a vibrant community through an active lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, throughout the month of April 2025, Pima County will celebrate “bike joy”, and the well-being it imbues within us, as well as the power that more people riding bikes has in making life better for everyone through physical activity and reducing pollution; and

WHEREAS, Pima County is ranked number one in biking infrastructure and offers extensive opportunities for cycling, including the Chuck Huckelberry Loop, among other dedicated park and greenway bike paths, scenic mountain biking trails, and cycling events like El Tour de Tucson and Cyclovía Tucson; and

WHEREAS, over 8.4 million cycling trips have been recorded on The Loop which serves as a critical piece of local infrastructure supporting active transportation, recreation, and public health; and

WHEREAS, cycling generates economic benefits by supporting businesses and promoting local tourism, like El Tour de Tucson, which has raised more than \$110 million for nonprofits over the last 40 years; and

WHEREAS, increased bike use leads to improved air quality by reducing vehicle emissions, which in turn decreases respiratory health risks such as asthma and other lung-related illnesses; and

WHEREAS, cycling is a low-impact option that contributes to health benefits including increased cardiovascular health, increased muscle strength, reduced risk of chronic disease, improved joint health, and helps boost mental health well-being; and

WHEREAS, an increase in safe and accessible biking options contributes to a healthier and more connected community, promoting social well-being and active lifestyles for all residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the month of April 2025 to be:

“BIKE MONTH IN PIMA COUNTY”

and encourages all Pima County residents to get out on their bikes this month and every month and find ways to incorporate bicycling into your everyday activities as much as possible.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of April 2025.

The Honorable Rex Scott, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Melissa Manriquez, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors