



PROCLAMATION



May 18, 2018

WHEREAS, for more than a century, bicycling has been an important part of the lives of many Americans, and today residents throughout the City of DeKalb engage in bicycling for transportation, recreation, fitness, and fun;

WHEREAS, bicycling is an efficient form of transportation and offers independent mobility for many traveling between work, school, and home; and

WHEREAS, the City of DeKalb recognizes bicyclists as legitimate roadway users entitled to legal and responsible use of all public roadway facilities in Illinois, except those highways constructed to interstate standards; and

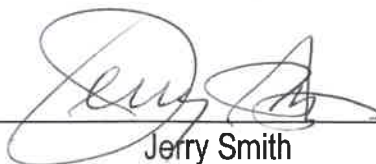
WHEREAS, the City of DeKalb encourages the increased use of the bicycle, benefiting citizens by improving air quality, reducing traffic congestion and noise, decreasing the use of and dependence upon finite energy sources, and fostering exercise; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the use of bicycles as a viable mode of transportation, the City of DeKalb endeavors to promote safe and responsible bicycling.

THEREFORE, I, Jerry Smith, as Mayor of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, do hereby proclaim May 18, 2018, as "Bike to Work Day" and encourage all citizens to ride their bicycles to work, to school, to the store, to the park, around their neighborhoods and with friends and family to promote the personal and societal benefits achieved from bicycling.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of DeKalb, to be affixed this 14th day of May 2018.


Jerry Smith