

**CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK**  
**MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**

**In Recognition of the**

***National Bike Month***

*WHEREAS, the bicycle is an economical, healthy, convenient, and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation and enjoyment of the City of Highland Park and surrounding areas; and*

*WHEREAS, Highland Park's road and trail system attracts bicyclists each year, providing economic, health, transportation, tourism, and scenic benefits; and*

*WHEREAS, creating a bicycle-friendly community has been shown to improve citizens' health, well-being, and quality of life, growing the economy of Highland Park, attracting tourism dollars, improving traffic safety, reducing pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets and roads; and*

*WHEREAS, throughout the month of May, the residents of Highland Park and its visitors will experience the joys of bicycling through a bicycle fair, bicycling education programs, or by simply getting out and going for a ride; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park has affirmed its commitment to safe bicycling by adopting the **Bike-Walk HP 2030 Plan** and promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities and improve health and safety for everyone on the road; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park has created a Bike-Walk Advisory Group to give guidance to the City in Plan implementation; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park has partnered with the Active Transportation Alliance and the League of Illinois Bicyclists on projects to assure the safety and comfort of bicyclists throughout the community.*

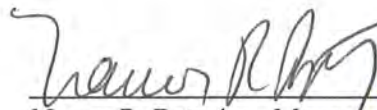
*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nancy R. Roter, Mayor of Highland Park, Illinois, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as*

***Bike Month***

*in Highland Park and urge all our citizens to use ride their bicycles safely for recreation and utilitarian purposes and to share the road with all users, be they driving a motor vehicle, walking or bicycling.*

DATED this 27th day of April, 2015.

  
Ghida S. Neukirch, City Clerk

  
Nancy R. Roter, Mayor

