

City of El Paso de Robles

PROCLAMATION

MAY 2008 AS BIKE MONTH

WHEREAS, bicycling is an effective means to reduce air pollution and conserve energy and promotes the healthy lifestyle within communities by reducing traffic, noise and congestion; and

WHEREAS, many businesses, organizations and schools encourage customers, students and employees who travel by bicycle, providing incentive rewards, shower/locker facilities and other benefits; and

WHEREAS, bicycle transportation is an integral part of the "multi-modal" transportation systems planned by federal, state, regional, and local transportation agencies; and

WHEREAS, bike month is a San Luis Obispo County-wide celebration of human powered transportation, which encourages people of all ages and abilities to ride bicycles to their destinations; and

WHEREAS, bike month promotions such as "Bike-to-Work and School Week", "Commuter Bike Challenge", Community Bike Happening and Movie, and "Bike Fest 2008" successfully encourages citizens to ride their bicycles, thereby reducing vehicular emissions in the county; and

WHEREAS, "Wheel Experience" is the theme for 2008, an inclusive request to all types of cyclists, whether veteran or novice, to support bicycling in all of its forms in San Luis Obispo County; and to celebrate the joys and benefits of bicycling for transportation and recreation, and

WHEREAS, businesses are encouraged to take part in the "Bike Your Business Window Display" or providing discounts to cyclists throughout the month of May; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Frank R. Mecham, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and speaking on behalf of the entire City Council hereby proclaim May 2008 as Bike Month, and May 19 to May 23, 2008 as "Bike to Work and School Week"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on this 6th day of May 2008, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Paso Robles to be affixed.

Frank Mecham