



City of Ellensburg

PROCLAMATION

Bike Month Proclamation

May 2025

Whereas, May has been celebrated as National Bike Month in communities coast to coast since 1956 to showcase the many benefits of bicycling and encourage more people to give biking a try; and

Whereas, creating a cycling-friendly community has been shown to improve citizens' physical and mental health, well-being, and quality of life, growing the economy, attracting tourism dollars, improving traffic safety, supporting student learning outcomes, and reducing pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets and roads; and

Whereas, greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education will reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities and improve health and safety for everyone on the road; and

Whereas, the State of Washington is ranked the #1 Bicycle-Friendly State in the nation; and

Whereas, the City of Ellensburg is a Silver-level Bicycle Friendly Community and wishes to achieve Gold in 2027; and

Whereas, Ellensburg and Kittitas County's road and trail system attracts bicyclists each year, providing transportation, recreation and exercise, tourism and economic health benefits; and

Whereas, the Ellensburg Environmental Commission invites everyone to participate in Bike Month competitions or join the bicycle celebration at Unity Park to receive free helmets, bells, bikes and safety information on Saturday, May 31.

Now therefore, the City Council of the City of Ellensburg does hereby proclaim May as Bike Month in Ellensburg, and urges all residents to give bicycling a try.

Signed this 21 day of April, 2025

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Betty Leader".

City Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rich Elliott".

Rich Elliott
Mayor