

CITY OF AUBURN



PROCLAMATION

Proclaiming May 15, 2015 Bike to Work Day in Lewiston and Auburn

Whereas, the bicycle is an economical, healthy, convenient, fun, and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation and enjoyment of Lewiston and Auburn's scenic beauty; and

Whereas, creating a bicycle-friendly community has been shown to improve citizen's health, well-being, and quality of life, growing the economies of Lewiston and Auburn, attracting tourism dollars, improving traffic safety, supporting student learning outcomes, and reducing pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets, roads, and bridges; and

Whereas, Lewiston and Auburn have adopted a city-wide Complete Streets Policy to ensure that future decisions about our transportation system accommodate all users, with a special focus on bicyclists and pedestrians

Whereas, Bike to Work Day raises public awareness among Lewiston and Auburn commuters and their employers regarding the cost-effective, healthy, and fun option of commuting to work; and

Whereas, the Lewiston Auburn Bicycle Pedestrian Committee, Bicycle Coalition of Maine, Healthy Androscoggin, LA Trails, local schools, police departments, and hospitals are promoting greater public awareness of the on and off road trails available for use and bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities; and

Now, therefore, I, Jonathan P. LaBonté, Mayor of the City of Auburn, do hereby proclaim May 15th, 2015 as Bike to Work Day. All residents, commuters, businesses, and service organizations are encouraged to participate by simply "biking to work."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto

Set my hand and caused the Seal of the

City of Auburn, Maine

to be fixed this 4th day of May 2015.

Mayor Jonathan P. LaBonté