



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

Date: September 1, 2020

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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4/5 Vote Required

### **Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Sonoma, State of California, Proclaiming September 2020 as Bike to Wherever Month and September 24, 2020 as Bike to Wherever Day in the County of Sonoma**

**WHEREAS**, the bicycle is a healthy, convenient, financially and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent tool for recreation and enjoyment of Sonoma County's scenic beauty, local attractions, and friendly neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, Sonoma County's roads and trails attract bicyclists each year, providing economic health, transportation, tourism, and scenic benefits; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic and shelter in place orders have resulted in a large increase in the number of Sonoma County residents riding bicycles; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition, the League of American Bicyclists, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and jurisdictions throughout the Bay Area will be promoting bicycling during the month of September 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout the month of September, the residents of Sonoma County and its visitors can experience the joys of bicycling through free educational programs, team bike challenges, and virtual events, organized by these groups; and

**WHEREAS**, these groups are also promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities and improve health and safety for everyone on the road;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma do hereby proclaim September 2020 as Bike to Wherever Month and September 24, 2020 as Bike to Wherever Day in Sonoma County.

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**Supervisors:**

Rabbitt:

Zane:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Gorin:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

**So Ordered.**