

ITEM 7 – Action
April 15, 2025

Bike to Work Day Proclamation

Action: Approve the Bike to Work Day Proclamation.

Background: Bike to Work Day is a regional event organized by TPB’s Commuter Connections program. Over 100 local events in TPB jurisdictions comprise the regional event. Bike to Work Day is scheduled for Thursday, May 15, 2025. TPB’s proclamation endorsing the event showcases TPB’s commitment to encourage bicycle commuting and also encourages regional decision-makers to support bicycle commuting through bicycle-friendly policies and initiatives.



Regional Proclamation

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board through its Commuter Connections program promotes bicycling and organizes Bike to Work Day together with the Washington Area Bicyclist Association; and

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting is an effective means to support the region's air quality goals, improve mobility, and conserve energy; and

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting benefits both employees and employers through better health and fitness, and reduced commuting and parking costs; and

WHEREAS, many employers have embraced bicycling and provide secure parking and shower facilities to help encourage bicycle commuting; and

WHEREAS, Capital Bikeshare's regional system has thousands of bikes at hundreds of stations across eight jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, more than 100 pit stops will be located within 23 COG-member jurisdictions on Bike to Work Day; and

WHEREAS, May is National Bike Month, and the week of May 12th is Bike to Work Week, celebrating bicycling as a viable means of transportation to and from work;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD:**

1. Proclaims **Thursday, May 15, 2025** as Bike to Work Day throughout the Washington, DC metropolitan region; and
2. Encourages TPB member jurisdictions to adopt similar proclamations in support of the event; and
3. Reminds all members of the importance of bicycle safety as advocated by the Street Smart campaign.