

109TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress in support of a national bike month and in appreciation of cyclists and others for promoting bicycle safety and the benefits of cycling.

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Whereas there are over 57 million adult cyclists in the United States;

Whereas it is estimated that 100 million United States citizens of all ages cycle each year;

Whereas 5 million United States citizens commute by bicycle to work;

Whereas the bicycle industry generates more than \$5 billion dollars a year and is an important part of the economy of the United States;

Whereas recreational cycling is a safe, low-impact, aerobic activity for all ages;

Whereas when an individual cycles as a form of regular exercise, the health of the individual may be increased;

Whereas a national bike month would provide an opportunity to educate United States citizens about the importance of bicycle safety and the health benefits of cycling;

Whereas most communities in the United States officially recognize May 20th as Bike to Work Day; and

Whereas the month of May has officially been celebrated as National Bike Month by the League of American Bicyclists and the majority of the international cycling community since 1956: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that—

3 (1) United States citizens should observe a na-
4 tional bike month to educate citizens of the United
5 States about the importance of bicycle safety and
6 the health, transportation, recreational, and environ-
7 mental benefits derived from cycling;

8 (2) health and transportation professionals and
9 organizations should promote bicycle safety and the
10 benefits of cycling; and

11 (3) United States citizens should salute the
12 more than 57 million cyclists in the United States

1 and the national and community organizations, indi-
2 viduals, volunteers, and professionals associated with
3 cycling for promoting bicycle safety and the benefits
4 of cycling.

Passed the House of Representatives July 25, 2006.

Attest:

Clerk.