
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY VANCE, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, VULAKOVICH, SCARNATI,
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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, MAY 5, 2014

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 16, 2014, as "Bike to Work Day" in Pennsylvania.

2 Whereas, Riding a bicycle is an excellent form of exercise
3 that improves mental and physical health and is part of a
4 healthy lifestyle for men, women and children to travel between
5 home, school and work; and

6 Whereas, Cycling is a clean form of transportation that, as
7 an alternative to motor vehicle use, conserves fossil fuels,
8 reduces air pollution created from vehicular fumes and reduces
9 the noise and congestion commonly associated with motor vehicle
10 traffic; and

11 WHEREAS, Considering that bicycle riders and motor vehicle
12 operators share many of the same roads, it is important to
13 ensure everyone's safety and comfort by educating cyclists and
14 motorists regarding the proper and safe operation of bicycles;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, On May 16, 2014, the Capital Area Spoke 'n Gear Expo

1 will be held at the Commonwealth Keystone Building in
2 Harrisburg, involving five State agencies; and

3 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth seeks to promote energy-efficient
4 and green-friendly technologies to enhance and sustain
5 Pennsylvanians' quality of life and to make its communities more
6 livable, and bicycling is an integral element in these plans;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Bicycle commuting is an effective means to improve
9 air quality, reduce traffic congestion and noise and to conserve
10 energy; and

11 WHEREAS, Bicycle commuting benefits both employees and
12 employers through better employee health and fitness and
13 reducing commuting, parking and health care costs; and

14 WHEREAS, The Department of Transportation, through its
15 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, seeks to double the percentage of
16 trips by foot and bicycle by the year 2015 and to reduce the
17 number of fatalities among bicyclists and pedestrians to a level
18 corresponding to the national highway motor vehicle fatality
19 rate reduction goal; therefore be it

20 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate May 16, 2014, as "Bike to
21 Work Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage all Pennsylvanians to
23 participate in the events planned during "Bike to Work Day" and
24 to take full advantage of the transportation benefits of
25 bicycling throughout each year.