

1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
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HCR 1012

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5 By: Representative Haak
6 By: Senator Hester

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8 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

9 TO PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MAY AS BIKE MONTH IN THE
10 STATE OF ARKANSAS.

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13 **Subtitle**

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15 MONTH IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

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17 WHEREAS, the State of Arkansas has not designated a state sport in the
18 law; and

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20 WHEREAS, bicycling is a sport that all Arkansas citizens may enjoy
21 regardless of age or ability level; and

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23 WHEREAS, Arkansas has numerous bicycling trails and routes across the
24 state totaling over two thousand seven hundred (2,700) miles; and

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26 WHEREAS, the USA Cycling announced that the U.S. National Mountain Bike
27 Team will be based in Bentonville in a lead-up to the 2028 Olympics; and

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29 WHEREAS, the League of American Bicyclists has designated Fayetteville,
30 Arkansas a Gold-level Bicycle Friendly Community, the first in Arkansas and
31 there is one (1) Silver-level Bicycle Friendly Community and six (6) Bronze-
32 level Bicycle Friendly Communities in Arkansas; and

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34 WHEREAS, the Adventure Cycling Association designated a one hundred
35 seventy-seven and a half-mile bicycle route from Memphis to Little Rock, as
36 an official United States Bicycle Route (USBR 80) and this path takes



1 cyclists from the Mississippi River in West Memphis to the Big Dam Bridge in
2 Little Rock through rural areas and historical downtowns of the Arkansas
3 Delta; and
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5 WHEREAS, the third grade class at Evening Star Elementary School in
6 Bentonville, Arkansas, have worked to get legislation drafted making cycling
7 the state sport and this is the first step in their endeavor,
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9 NOW THEREFORE,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:
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13 THAT the House of Representatives, proclaim the month of May as Bike
14 Month in Arkansas.
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, an appropriate copy of this
17 resolution shall be provided to Mr. Carter Coriell, third grade teacher at
18 Evening Star Elementary School, by the Chief Clerk of the House of
19 Representatives.
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