## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION No. 90 Session of 2019

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## A RESOLUTION

1 2 3	Designating the month of May 2019 as "Bike Month," the week of May 13 through 19, 2019, as "Bike to Work Week" and May 17, 2019, as "Bike to Work Day" in Pennsylvania.
4	WHEREAS, Riding a bicycle is an excellent form of exercise
5	that improves mental and physical health and is part of a
6	healthy lifestyle for men, women and children to travel between
7	home, school and work; and
8	WHEREAS, Considering that bicycle riders and motor vehicle
9	operators share many of the same roads, it is important to
10	ensure everyone's safety by educating cyclists and motorists
11	regarding the proper and safe operation of bicycles; and
12	WHEREAS, The Commonwealth seeks to promote energy-efficient
13	and green-friendly technologies to enhance and sustain
14	Pennsylvanians' quality of life and to make communities more
15	livable, and bicycling is an integral element in these plans;
16	and

17 WHEREAS, Bicycle commuting is an effective means to improve

air quality, reduce traffic congestion and noise and conserve
 energy; and

3 WHEREAS, Bicycle commuting benefits employees and employers 4 through better employee health and fitness and a reduction in 5 commuting, parking and health care costs; and

6 WHEREAS, Companies and other organizations that participate 7 in "Bike to Work Week" help to build morale and encourage 8 camaraderie among their employees; and

9 WHEREAS, Biking to work provides an efficient and enjoyable 10 means of getting much-needed regular exercise without having to 11 set aside additional time before or after the workday to work 12 out; and

WHEREAS, A lack of incentives and knowledge about the benefits of biking to work often discourages many employees from commuting by bicycle, even though more than half of United States workers live within five miles of their workplace; and WHEREAS, Many studies show the benefit to local economies from cyclists buying local goods and services when communities support cycling infrastructure investments; and

20 WHEREAS, "Bike to Work" events encourage approximately one in 21 five new participants to change their method of transportation 22 by biking to work on a regular basis; therefore be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of May 2019 as
24 "Bike Month" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of May 13
26 through 19, 2019, as "Bike to Work Week" in Pennsylvania; and be
27 it further

RESOLVED, That the Senate designate May 17, 2019, as "Bike to Work Day" in Pennsylvania and join with communities across this Commonwealth to encourage all residents to participate in the

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1 events planned in this Commonwealth.