



**RICK SCOTT**  
GOVERNOR

**FLORIDA BICYCLE MONTH**

**WHEREAS, bicycling plays an important role in the lives of millions of Floridians by providing means to travel; and**

**WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation and many local governments encourage the safe use of bicycles for transportation on Florida's roadways; and**

**WHEREAS, roadway safety is a top priority of the Florida Department of Transportation; and**

**WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation has various programs aimed to prevent roadway accidents to keep people safe; and**

**WHEREAS, the Florida Greenways and Trails System Plan advances the creation and sustainability of bicycling trails by establishing the vision for a connected trails system that enhances Florida's economy, tourism, health, alternative transportation, recreation, conservation, and quality of life; and**

**WHEREAS, nearly 25 million residents and tourists participate in bicycling annually, with more than 18.4 million bicyclists using paved trails and nearly 6.5 million on unpaved trails;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing March 2017 as *Florida Bicycle Month*.**



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, in the year two thousand seventeen.**

  
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Governor