



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for more than a century, the bicycle has been an important part of our lives; and

WHEREAS, today, millions of Americans engage in bicycling as an environmentally-sound form of transportation and an excellent form of fitness. In addition, bicycling provides quality family recreation; and

WHEREAS, the education of cyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of bicycles is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users; and

WHEREAS, the League of American Bicyclists, the State of Delaware, and cyclists throughout the state are promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce accidents, injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark has been named a Bronze Bicycle Friendly Community by the League of American Bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, the recognition of Bike to Work Day gives Newark the opportunity to call attention to the benefits of bicycling and to increase awareness among bicyclists and motorists; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vance A. Funk, III, Mayor of the City of Newark, Delaware, do hereby proclaim, May 20, 2011 as

BIKE TO WORK DAY

in the City of Newark and urge all citizens to ride a bicycle to work in celebration of the event.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City to be affixed hereto.

Attest:

Patricia M. Fogg

City Secretary

Vance A. Funk, III

Mayor