Proclamation

Whereas, the citizens and stakeholders of Morgantown have a vested interest in maintaining and increasing our region’s relevancy in the 21st century; and

Whereas, investments in cycling infrastructure are repeatedly shown to offer benefits to all citizens, transportation users, and business owners; and

Whereas, Morgantown established explicit bicycling-related goals in 2006 and has updated them regularly since; and

Whereas, numerous city residents and employees work hundreds of hours every year in many organizations to reach and surpass these goals; and

Whereas, these groups and the municipality have aggressively sought and obtained competitive grant funding for bicycle- and pedestrian-related projects; and

Whereas, last year Morgantown witnessed the receipt of a number of major Transportation Alternatives Grants, including those with which to begin funding the installation of new on-road and off-road infrastructure; and

Whereas, the city updated its bicycle storage ordinance late last year to better accommodate cyclists beyond the downtown, B4 district; and

Whereas, last November, the League of American Bicyclists re-certified Morgantown as a bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community after an exhaustive review process for the second time in a row; and

Whereas, May 10 is National Bike to School Day; May 15-19 is National Bike to Work

Week; and May 19 is National Bike to Work Day; and

Whereas, Morgantown will play host to the second West Virginia Bicycle Summit in September,

Now Therefore, I, Marti Shamberger, Mayor of the City of Morgantown do hereby proclaim the month of May 2017 as

Morgantown Bike Month.

In Witness Thereof, I hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Morgantown to become hereto affixed this 2nd day of May 2017.

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 Marti Shamberger, Mayor