PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of May is designated as National Bike Month by the League of American Bicyclists to promote safer riding for all Americans and Iowans; and

WHEREAS, Iowa has the goal of becoming the #1 “Bicycle Friendly State,” while several communities and businesses in Iowa have received Bicycle Friendly designation; and

WHEREAS, Iowa's health, environment, tourism and economy benefits from cycling; notably through RAGBRAI, the largest bicycle touring event in the country; and

WHEREAS, Iowa communities and organizations are developing miles of on-road and off-road trails to encourage and facilitate safe and healthy cycling; and

WHEREAS, May 20 is Ride of Silence Day nationally and internationally to remember cyclists killed by motor vehicles and honor those injured similarly, in order to promote safety for riders and drivers:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terry F. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim May 20, 2015, as

RIDE OF SILENCE DAY

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREBY SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 4TH DAY OF MAY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN.

Terry F. Branstad
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

PAUL D. PATE
SECRETARY OF STATE