## Proclamation

WHEREAS, for the last 62 years, the month of May has been designated as "National Bike Month" by National, state and local governments; and

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

WHEREAS, today, millions of Americans engage in bicycling because it is a viable and environmentally-sound form of transportation, an excellent form of fitness and provides quality family recreation; and

WHEREAS, bicycle commuting is an effective means to improve air quality, reduce traffic congestion, and conserve energy; and

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

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Amelia Island Trails work tirelessly to maintain and improve trail systems for bicyclists, pedestrians, and runners island-wide with the primary objective of becoming the safest place in Florida for biking.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John A. Miller, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Fernandina Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2018, as:

## "NATIONAL BIKE MONTH"

in Fernandina Beach and encourage citizens to recognize the importance of bicycle safety and be more aware of cyclists in our streets and highways.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Fernandina Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 1st day of May, 2018.

CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH

John A. Miller Mayor - Commissioner