



## Proclamation

WHEREAS, What began as a one-time event in 2003 to honor a fallen bicyclist is now an international phenomenon occurring around the globe; and

WHEREAS, The Ride of Silence is a silent, slow-paced bicycle ride to honor those who have been injured or killed while cycling on public roadways; and

WHEREAS, Composed of many, but riding as one, The Ride of Silence is a quiet call to the public announcing that bicycle safety is the responsibility of all users of public roads and to promote the ideals of "Share the Road;" and

WHEREAS, The City of Holland has made tremendous progress in its infrastructure to ensure the safety of local riders, with all the new dedicated bike lanes, "Share the Road" signs and "Cyclists May Use Full Lane" signs installed, that are heavily promoted and recommended by both the American League of Bicyclists and the Michigan League of Bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, Over the next 2-3 years, the City of Holland will install a "City-Wide" Bike network using sharrows, multi-use paths and on-street bike lanes to promote and integrate alternative transportation options that will provide easy access for non-motorized commuters throughout the City; and public 2.

WHEREAS, The City of Holland is committed to providing a safe and friendlier place for people traveling on two wheels and proudly supports The Ride of Silence.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Nancy R. De Boer, Mayor of the City of Holland, do hereby recognize

## THE RIDE OF SILENCE

As an event to remind all citizens to recognize that bicycles belong on public roadways and ask motorists to commit to safely sharing our roadways with cyclists.

Given under my hand and the seal of the City of Holland, this 16th of May, 2018

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