

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY AS "YOU'RE YOUR CAR" MONTH"

WASHTENAW BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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WHEREAS, more than half of all trips by car are less than two miles making them easy biking and walking opportunities; and

WHEREAS, automobiles are the America's main source of carbon dioxide emissions and account for over 70% of our oil consumption; and

WHEREAS, obesity is a growing problem in Michigan and physical inactivity costs Michigan over nearly \$9 billion in medical costs, lost productivity and worker's compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners supports and values ecological vitality and healthy lifestyles expressed by biking and walking and aims to be the state's leading example of implementing bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure through programs such as the county-wide trail system and the Washtenaw Alternative Transportation Study; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners encourages public transit and carpooling as environmentally responsible and economically practical ways to commute and, further, promotes density and pedestrian facilities that support transit; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners designates the month of May as "Curb Your Car Month" in Washtenaw County and encourages all citizens to utilize sustainable forms of transportation throughout the month of May and all throughout the year.