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 as an environmentally sound form of transportation, an excellent form of exercise, and an activity providing quality family recreation; and

WHEREAS, the education of cyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of bicycles is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users; and

WHEREAS, cyclists throughout our state are promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce accidents, injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, Moscow is among the top 1% in our nation for bike-to-work commuting;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nancy Chaney, Mayor of the city of Moscow, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2009 to be:

NATIONAL BIKE MONTH

in the City of Moscow, and I urge all citizens to celebrate by biking to work, or simply for pleasure, to improve their health and find refreshment and renewal in their lives.

DATED this 18th day of April, 2009

Nancy Chaney, Mayor