

**WHEREAS**, the Health and Wellness Coalition of Wichita is dedicated to promoting physical activity and good nutrition for every generation living in the Greater Wichita Area and Sedgwick County; and

**WHEREAS**, our health is affected by many things, including culture, environment, social influences, individual behaviors and access to health care; and

**WHEREAS**, for more than a century, the bicycle has been an important part of the lives of most Americans, and today, millions of Americans engage in bicycling as an environmentally friendly form of transportation, an excellent form of physical fitness, and a means to quality family recreation; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Wichita bicycle clubs, businesses, and independent cyclists throughout our community are promoting greater public awareness of bicycle operation and safety education in an effort to reduce accidents, injuries and fatalities.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Tim Norton, chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 2012 as

**“BIKE WICHITA MONTH”**

and encourage the use of bicycles, as well as education about the ways to safely share the roads and walkways.

May 16, 2012