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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 01-1044

101 **CONCERNING THE PROCLAMATION OF COLORADO BIKE MONTH AND**
102 **BIKE TO WORK DAY.**

1 WHEREAS, The State of Colorado recognizes the benefits of
2 using bicycles for transportation and highly recommends their use for
3 commuting, errands, and recreation; and

4 WHEREAS, Bicycling is a very energy-efficient form of
5 transportation and includes many benefits such as improved health, less
6 stress, and reduction in air pollution, traffic congestion, and energy
7 consumption; and

8 WHEREAS, The total economic benefit from the bicycle industry
9 in Colorado exceeds \$1 billion annually; and

10 WHEREAS, 69% of Colorado households own at least one
11 bicycle, and 7.3% of the citizens in Colorado use a bicycle as their
12 primary or secondary means of transportation; and

13 WHEREAS, Each year in the United States, 2% of all traffic

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1 fatalities are bicyclists and 2% of all traffic injuries are bicyclists; and

2 WHEREAS, More than 70% of children age 5 to 15 (27.7 million)
3 ride bicycles; and

4 WHEREAS, Children, ages 5 to 15, represent the largest
5 percentage of bicycle fatalities and injuries, with fatalities nearly double
6 the rate for all bicyclists; and

7 WHEREAS, Almost one-third of bicyclists killed in traffic crashes
8 in 1998 were between 5 and 15 years old; and

9 WHEREAS, Head injury is the leading cause of death in bicycle
10 crashes and is the most important determinant of bicycle-related death
11 and permanent disability; and

12 WHEREAS, Americans are joining together throughout the nation
13 to celebrate Bike Month and Bike to Work Day; now, therefore,

14 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-third*
15 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring*
16 *herein:*

17 That we, the members of the Sixty-third General Assembly,
18 proclaim June 27, 2001, "Bike to Work Day" and the month of June as
19 "Colorado Bike Month" and encourage everyone to consider the safety
20 of bicyclists today and every day.