

## *Proposed Proclamation to Promote Use of Transportation Alternatives*

**Whereas,** (Insert municipality name here) 's system of transportation relies largely on private automobiles, but also includes carpools, vanpools, walking, bicycling, and perhaps transit; and

**Whereas,** driving alone produces more pollution and costs more money over time than utilizing alternative methods of transportation; and

**Whereas,** use of transportation alternatives encourages more physical activity and exercise, ensures long-term health and addresses mounting health concerns facing Vermont and the nation; and

**Whereas,** (Insert municipality name here) 's environmental quality is tied to clean air and water, and minimizing pollution, and less driving will help protect these resources; and

**Whereas,** Way to Go! Commuter Challenge has garnered the support of (Insert municipality name here) 's citizens and businesses who desire to encourage the use of cheaper, healthier, and more earth-friendly transportation alternatives to driving alone; and

**Whereas,** (Insert municipality name here) aims to be identified as the greenest commuting community in 2010 by encouraging every resident to participate in the "Way to Go! Community Challenge" – an annual competition among communities to achieve the highest rate of citizen participation; and

**Whereas,** (Insert municipality name here) wishes to improve the environment and the health of all Vermonters via reduced pollution, driving costs, and expanded use and awareness of transportation alternatives to solo car commuting during the week and all year long.

**NOW THEREFORE,** by the powers vested in me as Mayor or an official designee, I, Name, Title, do hereby proclaim May 17-21, 2010 as the week of the

### *Way to Go! Community Challenge*

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*Official Signature, Date*