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## DeKalb Cities along Stone Mountain Path Trail Celebrate Bike Month EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

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**Clarkston, GA** – May 1 kicks off National Bike Month. The DeKalb County cities (Stone Mountain, Tucker, Clarkston, Avondale Estates and Decatur) along the Stone Mountain PATH Trail have organized a series of events, educational programs, commuting events, and helmet promotion to encourage riders to get out and to go for a ride. The PATH provides bikers easy access to these cities downtown, businesses, neighborhoods, and parks.

The DeKalb cities will host a **Bike Month Kick-off** on Saturday, May 1, 2021, 10 am at Clarkston City Hall Annex, 1055 Rowland Street, Clarkston, GA. The DeKalb County cities will provide a sneak peak of the programs and events planned throughout the month. Aztec Bike Shop will bring its mobile unit to the event to repair bicycles. There will be prizes and giveaways. Covid-19 precautions and guidelines will be adhered to throughout the event including wearing masks.

These bicycling activities and attractions have great potential to have a positive impact on DeKalb County's economy and tourism industry and to stimulate economic development by making the state attractive to businesses and citizens who enjoy the outdoors and healthy lifestyles.

*"I am excited to celebrate bike month with my neighboring cities as we provide pedestrian and bicycle safety education, foster collaboration among PATH cities, promote tourist and economic opportunities for businesses, and encourage people to use the PATH." Mayor Beverly H. Burks, City of Clarkston and event organizer*

*"Bike lanes connect us with each other and with opportunities to get to know our neighbors. Thank you to Mayor Burks for organizing this unique way to celebrate Bike Month. Join us!" Mayor Patti Garrett, City of Decatur*

*"Tucker is proud to be home to a large segment of the Path along East Ponce De Leon, with direct access to Stone Mountain Park to the east, and intown destinations to the west. And this year will see the development of the first section of Tucker Trails, part of a long-range plan for a 32 mile system within Tucker, connecting to several key trail segments leading all over the Atlanta Region." Mayor Frank Auman, City of Tucker*

*"I have been a cyclist my whole life. I can't think of a better way to get exercise, go places, and clear your head, all at once. I'm excited to participate in Bike Month and greatly appreciate Mayor Burks initiative to bring our communities together along the Path. Safe cycling everyone!" Mayor Jonathan Elmore, City of Avondale Estates*

*"This is a great opportunity for these DeKalb PATH cities to partner with each other for Bike Month. We look forward to making this a yearly partnership." Mayor Patricia Wheeler, City of Stone Mountain*

Visit the DeKalb Cities websites for details about their Bike Month events at:

<http://www.stonemountaincity.org/>

<https://www.tuckerga.gov/>

<https://www.clarkstonga.gov/>

<https://www.avondaleestates.org/>

<https://www.decaturga.com/biking>

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