

2024 (NOF) Maple Invitational (Elementary)

A Resolution to Establish Fridays as "National Reading Day"

1. **WHEREAS**, Reading is fundamental to learning and opens doors to new
2. worlds and ideas for children; and
3. **WHEREAS**, Not all children have access to books or are encouraged to
4. read outside of school; and
5. **WHEREAS**, Dedicating a day each week to celebrate and encourage
6. reading can increase interest and proficiency in reading among
7. children; and
8. **WHEREAS**, "National Reading Day" will promote activities such as
9. book fairs, storytelling sessions, and author visits in schools
10. and community centers; now, therefore, be it
11. **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled declares every Friday
12. to be "National Reading Day"; and, be it
13. **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That schools, libraries, and community
14. organizations are encouraged to organize events and activities
15. that promote reading and storytelling, making books and reading
16. a central part of every child's life.
17. Introduced for Congressional Debate by NOF

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A Bill to Encourage the Development of Safe and Enjoyable Bicycle Paths

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **Section 1** Communities across the nation shall receive funding and
3. support to create new bicycle paths that are safe and enjoyable
4. for children and families.

5. **Section 2** 'Bicycle paths' are defined as specially designated lanes
6. or separate pathways designed for cyclists, separated from motor
7. vehicle traffic, and equipped with safety features such as clear
8. signage and protective barriers where necessary.

9. **Section 3** The Department of Transportation, in collaboration with
10. local governments, will oversee the planning, funding, and
11. construction of these bicycle paths, ensuring they connect
12. schools, parks, and other key community areas.

13. **Section 4** This legislation will take effect at the beginning of
14. the next fiscal year following its passage. All laws in conflict
15. with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

16. Introduced for Congressional Debate by NOF

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A Bill to Plant More Trees in Cities

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **Section 1** To make our cities greener and cleaner, a new rule will

3. be made to plant at least one million new trees in cities all

4. over the country by the year 2025.

5. **Section 2** "Trees" mean big plants with a single tall stem called a

6. trunk, branches, and leaves. They help make the air clean, give

7. shade, and make places look beautiful.

8. **Section 3** The Department of Parks and Recreation will help cities

9. plant these trees. They will pick the best types of trees that

10. are good for each city's weather and help take care of them so

11. they grow big and strong.

12. **Section 4** This law will start on July 1, 2024. All other laws that

13. are in conflict with this new policy shall hereby be declared

14. null and void.

15. Introduced for Congressional Debate by NOF