

**The Council Chambers
City Hall
Portsmouth, New Hampshire**

A Proclamation

- Whereas:** Nationwide, homelessness has reached crisis proportions, with over 600,000 individuals experiencing homelessness each night; and
- Whereas:** Cross Roads House is the largest provider of shelter and services to those experiencing homelessness on the Seacoast, serving over 450 clients annually with temporary shelter and providing 33,000 meals; and
- Whereas:** United for the Homeless has galvanized the local cycling community – which has a long, generous history of supporting amazing charitable causes – to raise “\$100,000 for 1 Million Miles” this year to support Cross Roads House; and
- Whereas:** Nearly 350 participants in United for the Homeless project have cycled more than 500,000 miles so far this year toward their million mile goal for Cross Roads House; and
- Whereas:** This milestone serves to inspire the community and Portsmouth’s municipal government to provide the critical funding needed to support housing and services provided by Cross Roads House.

Now therefore I, Deaglan McEachern, Mayor of the City of Portsmouth NH, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim July 27, 2024 as

Cycling for Cross Roads House Day in Portsmouth

And call upon the citizens of Portsmouth to recognize the accomplishments of United for the Homeless and encourage them to join this effort by participating as cyclists and /or donors for Cross Roads House.



Given with my hand and the
Seal of the City of Portsmouth,
on this 27th day of July 2024.

Deaglan McEachern, Mayor of Portsmouth