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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Venice City Council, please consider this letter of recommendation to nominate the City Bicycle Ride for the 2018 Florida Citizenship Award.

The City of Venice is a bicycle friendly community, having achieved Silver status through the League of American Bicyclists. In September 2016, the City launched a Monthly Bicycle Ride program led by Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator Darlene Culpepper. The monthly bike ride is a fun, casual six-mile ride around the Island of Venice, and is open to the public.

The bike ride program has seen dozens of riders take to the streets, learning more about bicycle safety and best practices while taking in the sights of our unique City on the Gulf. Because of the program's success and achieving Silver status, please consider the City's nomination for this award.

Respectfully submitted,

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