



MESSAGE

On this **World Bicycle Day**, the Climate Change Commission underscores the crucial role of cycling as a key driver of a green and resilient COVID 19 recovery.

The bicycle has been an affordable, reliable, and climate-friendly means of transportation for over two centuries. As the current public health emergency compels us to revisit our strategies for urban planning and management, the bicycle has emerged as an important component of a sustainable transport plan for the country's leading metropolis.

To this end, we join the Filipino cycling community in raising awareness on the countless benefits of cycling for our health and the environment, which include improving posture and balance, increasing your muscle strength, lowering blood pressure, reducing noise pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

Moreover, we reiterate our support to House Bill 6623 or the Better Normal for the Workplace, Communities, and Public Spaces Act of 2020, which seeks to integrate bike lanes and create more green spaces in the metropolis.

Lastly, we urge our national and local leaders to integrate greener and, more efficient systems into our transport sector to make post-COVID 19 mobility cleaner and more sustainable for the Filipino people.

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