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Dear petitioners,

Thank you for your message to President von der Leyen and your plea to the Commission to take more action on cycling.

I am pleased to let you know that the Commission has recently adopted a proposal for a European Declaration on Cycling. The Declaration addresses principles and actions to promote cycling as an important means of mobility and recreation. We certainly share your view that cycling needs to be safe and inclusive for all members of society.

With 2024 being an electoral year in Europe and the current European Year of Skills running until 8 May 2024, a year of cycling might, at least for 2024 be a too ambitious avenue to pursue. In line with the principles the Commission has proposed, the Commission services – supported by an expert group on urban mobility - are therefore preparing alternative ideas for actions and policy recommendations to better accommodate the use of cycling in our daily lives.

Action on cycling has also been discussed at high political level during the European Mobility Days in Seville, Spain, from 4 to 6 October 2023.

Yours sincerely,

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