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## **AOC INSTALLS NEW BIKE RACKS AT CAPITOL; NATIONAL BIKE TO WORK DAY IS MAY 15**

WASHINGTON – The Office of the Architect of the Capitol has installed new bicycle racks on the East Front of the U.S. Capitol to accommodate visitors and staff who prefer riding their bikes to driving.

“As stewards of the Capitol complex, we work to accommodate everyone, and to make their visitor experience at the U.S. Capitol a very enjoyable one,” said Stephen T. Ayers, AIA, LEED AP, Acting Architect of the Capitol. “That includes providing the appropriate racks for those who prefer to ride their bikes when visiting the Capitol.”

The new racks accommodate about 40 bikes, and are located near the entrance to the new Capitol Visitor Center along First Street. These new racks are in addition to numerous bike racks provided on the West Front of the Capitol (on the south side near the drive), between the Russell and Dirksen Senate Office Buildings, and by each of the House Office Buildings.

These bike racks will especially come in handy on Friday, May 15 – National Bike to Work Day. On this day, people are encouraged to bike to work as an alternative to driving. It is healthy for both individuals and the environment. For more information on bike trails in the Washington, DC, area, visit [http://ddot.dc.gov/ddot/cwp/view,a,1245,q,629849,ddotNav\\_GID,1761,ddotNav,|34416|.asp](http://ddot.dc.gov/ddot/cwp/view,a,1245,q,629849,ddotNav_GID,1761,ddotNav,|34416|.asp).

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