



City of Naples

BILL BARNETT
MAYOR
PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** motorcycle riding is a popular form of recreation and transportation for thousands of people across the State and Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the safety hazards created by motorcycle riding should be of great concern to motorcycle riders as well as all other motor vehicle operators; and
- WHEREAS,** American Bikers Aimed Towards Education known as ABATE with chapters all over Florida and the Gator Alley Chapter of ABATE of Florida, Inc. is Collier County's largest Motorcycle Rights Organization; and
- WHEREAS,** ABATE has two functions which are to promote motorcycle safety and work closely with our legislators to protect motorcycle rights; and
- WHEREAS,** for the past two years, Gator Alley Chapter of ABATE has been working with the Collier County Public Schools to bring the "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Program" to several of the high schools along with being invited to present our program to the National Drivers Education Convention; and
- WHEREAS,** the Gator Alley Chapter has over 450 members and we represent a true cross-section of Collier County as its members range from medical professionals to small business owners to construction workers; and
- WHEREAS,** motor-vehicle drivers should expect to see motorcycles at all times and should search aggressively for them; and
- WHEREAS,** motorcycle safety awareness promotion is a cooperative effort to decrease the number of injuries and fatalities associated with motorcycling.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BILL BARNETT, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Naples, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2010 to be

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Naples and urge all citizens to recognize the efforts of Gator Alley Chapter of ABATE to promote motorcycle safety and rights.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of April, 2010.



BILL BARNETT, MAYOR

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