

PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF MAY, 2010 AS MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, motorcycles are increasingly used as a regular means of transportation; and

WHEREAS, the motorcycle is an energy-efficient vehicle that reduces fuel consumption, traffic and parking congestion; and

WHEREAS, the motorcycle is an important form of transportation for commuting, touring and recreation; and

WHEREAS, citizens should recognize the fact that motorcycle operators have the same rights and privileges as operators of other vehicles on the roads and highways; and

WHEREAS, with motorcycle ownership in Florida exceeding 750,000 registered motorcycles, the Governor of the State of Florida has traditionally named May as "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month"; and

WHEREAS, states and motorcycle organizations across the country will be conducting a variety of activities to promote the importance of motorist awareness and safely sharing the road with motorcyclists; and

WHEREAS, locally, ABATE of Florida, Inc. is highly involved in motorcycle safety through its Rider and Motorist Education Programs which includes the "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Program" to educate the non-riding public how to safely share the road with motorcycles; and

WHEREAS, ABATE of Florida, Inc. promotes friendship and safety among all motorcyclists. Using their motto of "American Bikers Aiming Towards Education" and

WHEREAS, Indian River County wishes to join in this public safety campaign in an effort to ensure the safety and well-being of its citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE INDIAN RIVER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS that the month of May, 2010, be designated as "**MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH**" in Indian River County, and urges all citizens to be more aware of motorcycles on our roads and highways.

Adopted this 6th day of April 2010.



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