



**RON DESANTIS**  
GOVERNOR

***MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH***

**WHEREAS, Florida is committed to ensuring the safety of all residents and visitors to our great state; and**

**WHEREAS, Florida is a top destination for motorcyclist tourism and more than one million drivers in Florida have a motorcycle endorsement on their driver license; and**

**WHEREAS, motorcycles and motor scooters are an economical means of transportation for young road users, including college students; and**

**WHEREAS, the State of Florida has a vision of zero traffic fatalities, "Target Zero," and recognizes the importance of reducing motorcycle fatalities, which accounted for nearly one-fifth of all traffic fatalities in 2019 in Florida; and**

**WHEREAS, compared to other motor vehicles, motorcycles offer minimal protection in the event of a crash and have unique steering and stability characteristics that require physical skill beyond that needed to operate a standard automobile; and**

**WHEREAS, motorcycles are often hidden in a vehicle's blind spot or missed in a quick look due to their smaller size, so motorcyclists and motorists must be vigilant in their efforts to share the road and ensure the safety of everyone; and**

**WHEREAS, the State of Florida has made comprehensive safety efforts to reduce motorcyclist fatalities and serious injuries by implementing the Florida Motorcycle Safety Coalition, educating motorcyclists, promoting motorist awareness of motorcycles, and enforcing traffic laws regarding risk-taking behaviors of riders; and**

**WHEREAS, to prevent injuries and deaths on Florida's roadways, motorcyclists and motorists must be vigilant in their efforts to share the road and ensure the safety of everyone.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing May 2021, as *Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month*.**



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 1st day of May, in the year two thousand twenty-one.**

  
Governor