



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 a million drivers in Florida have a motorcycle endorsement on their driver license; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has a vision of zero traffic fatalities, "Target Zero," and recognizes the importance of reducing motorcyclist fatalities, which account for about 17 percent of motor vehicle fatalities in Florida; and

WHEREAS, motorcycles are often hidden in a vehicle's blind spot due to their smaller size and offer minimal protection in the event of a crash, requiring physical skill beyond that needed to operate a standard automobile; 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, which promotes motorist awareness of motorcycles, educates motorcyclists, and enforces traffic laws regarding risk-taking behaviors of riders; and

WHEREAS, to prevent injuries and fatalities on Florida's roadways, motorists and motorcyclists 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 2023, 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-three.



Governor