

# 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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