

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland
MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH
MAY 2023

- WHEREAS,** *Safety is of the highest priority for the State of Maryland, and awareness is needed because Maryland is still losing many lives as a result of motorcycle crashes. The roads of our State are made safer and more enjoyable for all to use because of efforts designed to encourage motorcycle safety; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Motorcycles are compact vehicles that reduce fuel consumption, decrease parking and traffic congestion, and are becoming increasingly popular with commuters, tourists, and recreational riders. It is especially important that the citizens of our great state remain aware of motorcycles on our streets and highways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety in our daily lives; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Many organizations are committed to increasing the safe operation of motorcycles by promoting motorcycle safety programs, providing motorcycle safety instruction during motorcycle events, and by enjoining the State's entire motorcycling community to comprehensively address and set a motorcycle safety agenda for Maryland; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The Maryland MOTORS (Motor Officers Teaching Other Riders Safety) provides a motorcycle safety training course taught by police motor officers to teach civilian riders profession riding techniques, motorcycle control, collision causes and safety advice; and*
- WHEREAS,** *A heightened knowledge and implementation of safe driving and riding procedures as well as safety equipment reduces the occurrence of crashes, injuries, and fatalities for operators of all motor vehicles, including motorcycles; and*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MAY 2023 as MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH in Maryland, and do urge ALL citizens to increase their awareness of motorcycles and develop a caring attitude toward sharing the road with motorcycles, thus making the State's streets and highways safer for our residents as well as for all those that visit our great state.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 1st day of May
Two Thousand and twenty-three



Wes Moore
Governor

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Susan C. Lee
Lt. Governor

Secretary of State