

SENATE RESOLUTION

8648

By Senators Randall, Takko, Rolfes, Lovelett, Sheldon, Hawkins, and O'Ban

1 WHEREAS, Washington State is committed to the promotion of safety
2 programs, policies, and actions; and

3 WHEREAS, Thousands of motorcyclists travel the roads, streets,
4 highways, and interstate systems of Washington State every day; and

5 WHEREAS, Motorcycles are fuel efficient vehicles that have access
6 to Washington State High Occupancy Vehicle lanes, promoting a less
7 congested travel way; and

8 WHEREAS, Motorcyclists help to provide funds for the
9 transportation infrastructure of Washington State that they and
10 others use; and

11 WHEREAS, The majority of the motorcycling community is committed
12 to motorcycle safety and awareness and promotes policies and
13 procedures for themselves and other motorists in order to create a
14 safe roadway for all; and

15 WHEREAS, Motorcyclists make up just about three percent of all
16 registered vehicles but account for about 14 percent of all traffic
17 fatalities as of 2015; and

18 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Transportation's
19 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration launched a Get Up to
20 Speed on Motorcycles campaign to help motorists learn how to drive
21 safely around motorcycles in order to keep all roadway users safe;
22 and

1 WHEREAS, The motorcycling community is filled with people
2 dedicated to charitable organizations and activities; and

3 WHEREAS, Hundreds of motorcyclists, like those of Bikers Against
4 Child Abuse and American Legion Riders, band together to support
5 kids, veterans, and other vulnerable communities all around the
6 state; and

7 WHEREAS, The month of May is recognized nationally and throughout
8 the state as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month;

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate
10 celebrate the month of May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
12 immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the AAA
13 Washington office, the ABATE of Washington office, Bikers Against
14 Child Abuse, the representative of the Washington Road Riders
15 Association, the headquarters of the Washington State Patrol, and the
16 Washington State Department of Transportation.

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