

# VOICES OF THE BIKERS

May 31, 2014

Dear Governor Nikki Haley,

cc: Mayor Jake Evans, Mayor Marilyn Hatley, Mayor Rhodes, and ALL Respective Council Body

On behalf of the "Bikers", we respectfully ask "WHEN ARE YOU ALL GOING TO TALK TO US AS "BIKERS". There are continuous communications about the "Bikers", and attempts to end Our Rallies, however, NONE of these communications include the "Bikers" or a Representative on behalf of the "Bikers".

There are many things being said, BUT no one is listening to what we the "Bikers" have to say. We as "Bikers" have been returning for more than 34 years for the Celebration of Carolina Knight Riders Motorcycle Club's Anniversary, which have since build to an Extended Motorcycle Reunion of Fellowship and Bounding of Our Respective Motorcycle Family from across the Nation.

Respectfully, we as "Bikers", acknowledge that there is a problem, we as "Bikers" have been asking for more than a decade that you all CLOSE the strip to the "Drifters" that tail gate and congregate to the area with their "Customized Cars" simply for the profiling and stuntin, that brings forth and attracts the negative youthful audience who are NOT "Bikers", attached to or affiliated with the "Bikers" that has since DROVE the Majority of "Bikers" off of Ocean Blvd "the Strip".

We as "Bikers" for more than a decade have expressed our concern and have offered suggestions towards solutions to the continuous problems of Ocean Blvd "the Strip", but we as "Bikers" are continuously and repeatedly IGNORED.

Sadly, now Governor Haley attended a meeting on Friday, May 30, 2014 in Conway, SC to address what was to be about "Hurricane Evacuation", and prematurely spoke and included the Topic of the "Bikers" within this Meeting WITHOUT first having had any communications with Us the "Bikers" or inviting Us the "Bikers" or a Representative for the "Bikers" to HEAR and LISTEN to Our Concerns.

As "Bikers", we acknowledge and are aware of the pressure that you all as Elected Officials and Leaders are under, BUT, until you all respectfully, INCLUDE and Collectively WORK with the "Bikers" you're NOT going to find Proper or Adequate Solutions to the Problems.....just Inappropriate Finger Pointing and Blame.

You all as Elected Officials and Government FAIL to comprehend and acknowledge that we as “Bikers” are also Tourists, who BRINGS forth revenue into the City, Surrounding Cities and State of South Carolina. A simple internet search of “Priceline.com, Orbitz.com, Hotels.com, etc.” showed basically EVERY House, Condo, Hotel and Motels completely rented out from Seven (7) to Four (4) consecutive days stay, at a time in which “children” are still in school, therefore “families” are NOT and will NOT be renting out EVERY House, Condo, Hotel or Motels within the area during the Month of May that generate the same revenues as the “Bikers”.

With that being said, respectfully, We as “Bikers” are Tourists, and should be given the same Rights and Respect of including our voices as “Bikers” to eliminate the unwanted behavior and attendance that clearly do NOT have anything to do with Who We Are as “Bikers”.

UNFORTUNATELY, what the City of Myrtle Beach and now the Governor of South Carolina have FAILED to Acknowledge is the Problem is NOT the “Bikers”, nor individuals from neighboring States. The problem that NATIONALLY put the spotlight on the City of Myrtle Beach, are from the Great State of South Carolina, which states that you all have a PROBLEM in the State of South Carolina NOT just the City of Myrtle Beach and the “Call to Action” SHOULD be “SAVE OUR YOUTH” which NEEDS to be bigger than the City of Myrtle Beach because we’re losing way too many sons/daughters, nephews/nieces or friends being tragically gunned down due to senseless acts of violence in the State of South Carolina.

Respectfully, once again, we as “Bikers”, whom ARE also Tourists that BRINGS Revenue into this Tourist Economy, WISH to be INCLUDED in any and ALL City/State communications NOT as the Problem, BUT as UNITED Efforts towards a positive solution.

Respectfully,

The “Bikers”