

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 2015, there were 137 motorcycle fatalities and over 1,700 motorcyclists were injured on South Carolina roadways; and

WHEREAS, keeping our roads safe requires the combined effort of automobile drivers, motorcyclists, and others who use the roads as well as individuals and agencies responsible for education, training, enforcement, and communication; and

WHEREAS, motorcyclists can help lower their risk on the roads through advanced rider education, knowledge of traffic laws, and the use of good judgment as well as by inspecting their motorcycles prior to riding and dressing appropriately to reduce abrasions and injuries; and

WHEREAS, all drivers are encouraged to avoid distractions, think twice before driving impaired, obey traffic laws, and *Look Twice to Save a Life*; and

WHEREAS, by working together to increase knowledge of the special needs of all road and highway users while encouraging them to exercise added caution, we can make our roads safer and ensure that motorcyclists in the Palmetto State have an enjoyable riding season.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to be aware of motorcyclists who share our roads and highways and to work together to reduce motorcycle related crashes, injuries, and fatalities.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nikki R. Haley".

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA