

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** in 2018, over 1,539 motorcyclists were injured on South Carolina roadways and, tragically, 110 motorcyclists in the Palmetto State lost their lives; 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 protect themselves on the roads through advanced rider education, knowledge of traffic laws, increased insurance coverage, 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 obey traffic laws, avoid distractions, think twice before driving impaired, and look twice - it may 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, Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as**

### **MOTORCYCLE 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.



**HENRY McMASTER  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**