

PROCLAMATION

Office of the St. Johns County Commissioners

WHEREAS, the St. Johns County, State of Florida, is progressive and aware of the need to decrease accidents involving motorcycles; and

WHEREAS, Spring is the time when motorcycles begin to appear on the roadways and the need for motorcycle safety and awareness becomes urgent during this time; and

WHEREAS, an overwhelming number of accidents could have been prevented had the drivers of other vehicles been aware of and given consideration to motorcycles riders; and

WHEREAS, a large number of those accidents could have been prevented had the riders of the motorcycles taken safety precautions to prevent or reduce the possibility of such accidents; and

WHEREAS, it is vitally important for those who own or operate motorcycles to have a thorough understanding of motorcycle safety and the skills necessary to practice defensive driving; and

WHEREAS, these accidents also illustrate a high priority for drivers of other vehicles to give motorcycle riders the same right-of-way and consideration afforded larger vehicles; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of our community and the citizens of this county to recognize these facts and to educate its citizens on what can and should be done to reduce the injuries and fatalities resulting from motorcycle accidents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Saturday, May 11, 1985 through Saturday May 18, 1985 be recognized as

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS DAYS

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners urges the drivers of automobiles and like vehicles to develop safer driving skills in relationship to motorcycles; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners urges the participation of those who own or operate a motorcycle to take the classes offered by the St. Augustine Technical Center, which are taught pursuant to the curriculum provided by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: *Ray Wald*
Its Chairman

ADOPTED May 14, 1985

ATTEST: CARL "BUD" MARKEL, CLERK

By: *Marie Hudson*
Deputy Clerk