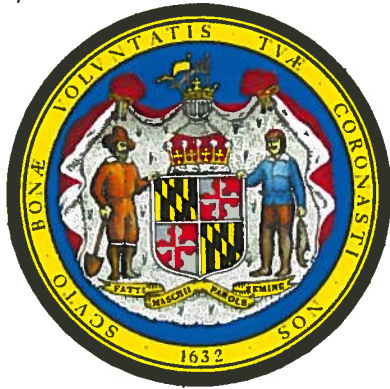


# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

### **MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH MAY 2021**

- WHEREAS,** *Safety is of the highest priority for the State of Maryland, and awareness is needed because Maryland is still losing many lives as a result of motorcycle crashes; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The roads of our State are made safer and more enjoyable for all to use because of efforts designed to encourage motorcycle safety; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Motorcycles are compact vehicles that reduce fuel consumption, decrease parking and traffic congestion, and are becoming increasingly popular with commuters, tourists, and recreational riders, it is especially important that the citizens of our great state remain aware of motorcycles on our streets and highways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety in our daily lives; and*
- WHEREAS,** *A heightened knowledge and implementation of safe driving and riding procedures as well as safety equipment reduces the occurrence of crashes, injuries and fatalities for operators of all motor vehicles, including motorcycles; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Many organizations are committed to increasing the safe operation of motorcycles by promoting motorcycle safety programs, providing motorcycle safety instruction during motorcycle events, and by enjoining the State's entire motorcycling community to comprehensively address and set a motorcycle safety agenda for Maryland.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MAY 2021 as MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH in Maryland, and do urge all citizens to increase their awareness of motorcycles and develop a caring attitude toward sharing the road with motorcycles, thus making the State's streets and highways safer for our residents as well as for all those that visit our great state.**



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,  
this 1st day of May  
Two Thousand and twenty-one

*Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.*  
Governor

*Byrd K. Bethford*  
Lt. Governor

*John C. Wetherell*  
Secretary of State