SENATE RESOLUTION

8648

By Senators Randall, Takko, Rolfes, Lovelett, Sheldon, Hawkins, O'Ban, Brown, Conway, Nguyen, and Wilson, L.

WHEREAS, Washington State is committed to the promotion of safety programs, policies, and actions; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of motorcyclists travel the roads, streets, highways, and interstate systems of Washington State every day; and

WHEREAS, Motorcycles are fuel efficient vehicles that have access to Washington State High Occupancy Vehicle lanes, promoting a less congested travel way; and

WHEREAS, Motorcyclists help to provide funds for the transportation infrastructure of Washington State that they and others use; and

WHEREAS, The majority of the motorcycling community is committed to motorcycle safety and awareness and promotes policies and procedures for themselves and other motorists in order to create a safe roadway for all; and

WHEREAS, Motorcyclists make up just about three percent of all registered vehicles but account for about 14 percent of all traffic fatalities as of 2015; and

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration launched a Get Up to Speed on Motorcycles campaign to help motorists learn how to drive safely around motorcycles in order to keep all roadway users safe; and

WHEREAS, The motorcycling community is filled with people dedicated to charitable organizations and activities; and

WHEREAS, Hundreds of motorcyclists, like those of Bikers Against Child Abuse and American Legion Riders, band together to support kids, veterans, and other vulnerable communities all around the state; and

WHEREAS, The month of May is recognized nationally and throughout the state as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate celebrate the month of May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the AAA Washington office, the ABATE of Washington office, Bikers Against Child Abuse, the representative of the Washington Road Riders Association, the headquarters of the Washington State Patrol, and the Washington State Department of Transportation.

I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate,

do hereby certify that this is a true and

correct copy of Senate Resolution 8648,

adopted by the Senate

April 18, 2019

BRAD HENDRICKSON

Secretary of the Senate