## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY BARTOLOTTA, KEARNEY, ROTHMAN, KANE, LAUGHLIN, ARGALL, HUTCHINSON, BREWSTER, VOGEL AND COSTA, APRIL 22, 2024

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, APRIL 22, 2024

## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of May 2024 as "Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The safety of all Pennsylvania motorists is an issue
- 4 of enduring consequence; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Motorcyclists have the same rights and privileges as
- 6 all other motor vehicle drivers on the roadway; and
- 7 WHEREAS, During "Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month" and
- 8 throughout the year, drivers of other vehicles and all road
- 9 users are reminded to safely share the road with motorcyclists
- 10 and to be extra alert to keep motorcyclists safe; and
- 11 WHEREAS, During "Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month,"
- 12 Pennsylvanians are encouraged to spread the word about
- 13 increasing motorcyclists' safety, support and enhance motorcycle
- 14 safety awareness programs and enjoy the use of motorcycles while
- 15 practicing utmost safety; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's economy benefits from nearly 375,000
- 17 registered motorcycles and more than 800,000 licensed motorcycle
- 18 operators, all of whom are required to keep their motorcycles

- 1 inspected and obey laws relating to operator safety and
- 2 equipment; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Statistics reported last year by the Department of
- 4 Transportation show that more than 3,500 motorcycle accidents
- 5 occurred in this Commonwealth in 2021, resulting in
- 6 approximately 230 fatalities; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Despite inevitable incidents, motorcycle operators
- 8 continue to promote highway safety and encourage other motor
- 9 vehicle operators to recognize and participate in motorcycle
- 10 safety training; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Throughout the month of May, the Pennsylvania
- 12 Motorcycle Safety Program, Alliance of Bikers Aimed Toward
- 13 Education of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Motorcycle
- 14 Dealers Association are continuing their advocacy of motorcycle
- 15 safety; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of May 2024 as
- 17 "Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.