

Reps. Jones, Accavitti, Baxter, Bieda, Booher, Brandenburg, Byrum, Casperson, Caul, Clack, Cushingberry, Drolet, Espinoza, Farrah, Garfield, Gleason, Gonzales, Gosselin, Green, Hansen, Hildenbrand, Hood, Kooiman, LaJoy, Lemmons, III, Marleau, Mortimer, Pastor, Pearce, Plakas, Polidori, Proos, Sak, Shaffer, Spade, Stahl, Wojno and Zelenko offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 219.

A resolution commemorating May 2006 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, It is most appropriate to join with motorcyclists throughout the state of Michigan in commemorating May 2006 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month. This worthwhile observance provides all Michigan motorists with an opportunity to rededicate themselves to the highest standards of highway safety; and

Whereas, The coming of spring marks the return of motorcycle enthusiasts to our state's highways. Statewide, motorcyclists have been at the forefront of efforts to promote the wise and sensible use of this most enjoyable mode of travel. Indeed, the disproportionate number of motorcycle fatalities makes it vitally important to encourage motorcyclists to understand and practice the highest degree of safety, as well as to remind other drivers that highway safety is a two-way street; and

Whereas, Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month encourages motorcycle operators to wear the proper protective riding apparel, to keep their motorcycles in good operating condition, to adhere to the laws of the road, and to adopt the driving techniques which provide an extra measure of safety. In addition, car and truck drivers are made aware of the seasonal return of motorcyclists and are urged to be particularly alert and careful when approaching or overtaking a motorcycle on the highway. It is truly a pleasure to take this opportunity to once again remind all of those who share our highways that safety is every drivers responsibility; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commemorate May 2006 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. All of Michigan's citizens are urged to recognize the different type and size of vehicles on our highways and develop a caring attitude toward sharing the road, thus making the roads of our Great Lakes State safer for all of us.