



2011 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 71

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming May 2012 as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

2 Whereas, many thousands of Wisconsin residents and visitors enjoy
3 motorcycling as an energy-efficient mode of transportation and as an enjoyable
4 recreational activity; and

5 Whereas, May is nationally recognized as the month motorcycles become more
6 prevalent on our streets, and the need to be aware of their presence is of the utmost
7 urgency; and

8 Whereas, due to the increased number of motorcycles on the roads and
9 highways of our state, and because motorcycle awareness and safety are concerns to
10 all, it is appropriate to set aside a time to alert motorists of the number of
11 motorcyclists on the roads and to help motorists become aware of motorcyclists,
12 especially with regard to sharing the road with motorcycles; and

13 Whereas, this worthwhile observance provides all Wisconsin motorists with an
14 opportunity to rededicate themselves to the highest standards of highway safety;
15 and

1 Whereas, throughout Wisconsin, motorcyclists have been at the forefront of
2 efforts to promote the wise and sensible use of this most enjoyable mode of travel; and

3 Whereas, it is important to recognize the need for all drivers to be aware of the
4 seasonal return of motorcyclists and to be particularly alert and careful when
5 approaching or overtaking a motorcycle on the highway; and

6 Whereas, it is also important to honor motorcyclists' many contributions to the
7 communities in which they live and ride and to remember those who have lost their
8 lives in motorcycle accidents; now, therefore, be it

9 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the legislature
10 hereby proclaims May 2012 as Motorcycle Awareness Month; and, be it further

11 ***Resolved, That*** the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
12 resolution to A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments (ABATE) of
13 Wisconsin, an organization that is actively promoting the safe operation of
14 motorcycles, increased motorcycle rider training, and increased motorist awareness
15 of motorcycles.

16 (END)