

Motorcycle Awareness Month

WHEREAS, motorcycle riding is a popular form of recreation and transportation for millions of people across our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri has over 98,000 registered motorcycles, over 300 motor tricycles, and nearly 300,000 individuals who have valid operator and chauffeurs licenses with motorcycle endorsement; and

WHEREAS, the safe operation of a motorcycle requires the use of special skills developed through a combination of training and experience, the use of good judgment, and a thorough knowledge of traffic laws and licensing regulations; and

WHEREAS, all motorcycle organizations, clubs, dealerships, groups and highway safety officials in our state should join with Freedom of Road Riders ®, Inc., of Missouri and concerned citizens in actively promoting motorcycle safety and awareness during the month of May 2011; and

WHEREAS, the “**Motorcycle Awareness and You**” campaign is intended to prevent accidents, injuries, and fatalities associated with motorcycling by encouraging motorcycle operators to participate in rider education programs, wear the proper apparel, and operate their vehicle defensively according to the rules of the road; and

WHEREAS, the “**Motorcycle Awareness and You**” campaign is intended to heighten the awareness of, and encourage other motor vehicle operators to share the roadways and be cautious and observe motorcycles especially during the seasonal return of motorcyclists to the streets and highways of Missouri.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Cameron, Clinton and DeKalb Counties, Missouri, do hereby proclaim **May 2012** to be

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH

in Cameron.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Cameron, Missouri to be affixed this 16th day of April 2012.

Mayor

Attest:

Barbara J. O'Connor, City Clerk