

PROCLAMATION

Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) reminds all road users that May marks Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, motorists are reminded of the seasonal return of motorcycle enthusiasts to Iowa's highways; and

WHEREAS, due to their smaller size, motorcycles may easily be overlooked in the traffic flow, and motorists are encouraged to always be aware of motorcycles at intersections, when performing lane changes, or when passing other vehicles; and

WHEREAS, motorcyclists should always operate their motorcycles in a defensive manner and within the rules of the road; and

WHEREAS, motorcyclists ask that motorists get in the habit of looking for motorcycles as they drive, both during Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month and throughout the entire riding season.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor of the City of Muscatine, Iowa, do hereby proclaim May 2012 as "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month" and encourage everyone to share the road safely.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name to be affixed this 19th day of April, 2012.

DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor