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Proclamation

May 2016

Motorcycle Awareness Month

WHEREAS, motorcycle riding is a popular form of recreation and efficient transportation for more than 850,000 people in California; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all vehicles be aware of one another and learn to Share the Road and practice courtesy; and

WHEREAS, the safety hazards created by automobile operators who have not been educated to watch for motorcycles on the streets and highways of Oakley are of prime concern to motorcyclists; and

WHEREAS, it is especially important that the citizens of Oakley be aware of motorcyclists on the streets and highways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and

WHEREAS, American Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education (ABATE) of California is an organization that is actively promoting safe operation, increased rider training and increased motorist awareness of motorcycles; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the need for awareness on the part of all drivers, especially with regard to sharing the road with motorcycles, and to honor the many contributions motorcyclists make to the communities in which they live and ride.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Kevin Romick, Mayor of the City of Oakley on behalf of the Oakley City Council does hereby declare May, 2016 as MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH in Oakley and urges motorcycle riders and automobile drivers to follow the rules of the road so that all citizens will remain safe.

May 10, 2016

Kevin Romick, Mayor