



PROCLAMATION



MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH MAY 2025

WHEREAS, motorcycles are a primary, common, and economical means of transportation that reduce fuel consumption and road wear, and contribute in a significant way to the relief of traffic and parking congestion; and

WHEREAS, it is especially meaningful that the citizens of DeKalb are aware of motorcycles on roadways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and

WHEREAS, the members of ABATE of Illinois, Inc. (A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education), continually promote motorcycle safety, education, and awareness in high school drivers' education programs and have presented motorcycle awareness to over 120,000 participants in Illinois over the past nine years; and

WHEREAS, all motorcyclists should actively promote the safe operation of motorcycles, as well as motorcycle safety, education, and awareness; and

WHEREAS, during the month of May, all roadway users should unite in the safe sharing of roadways within the City of DeKalb, and throughout Illinois.

THEREFORE, I, Cohen Barnes, Mayor of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, in recognition of 38 years of ABATE of Illinois, Inc., and over 352,318 registered motorcyclists statewide, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2025 as Motorcycle Awareness Month in the City of DeKalb and urge all motorists to join in an effort to improve safety and awareness on our roadways.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of DeKalb to be affixed this 12th day of May 2025.





COHEN BARNES
Mayor