



A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois

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Dear Community Leaders:

For 21 years, May has been proclaimed Motorcycle Awareness Month in the State of Illinois. A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc., (A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education) is once again striving to provide a safe, unrestricted motorcycling environment in the State of Illinois, community by community. In an effort to enhance and promote motorcycle safety, education and awareness, **MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATIONS** are being presented to the leaders of the community. Therefore, A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc. respectfully requests the execution of the enclosed proclamation.

With the presentation and execution of the Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month Proclamation, it is A.B.A.T.E.'s genuine desire that many incidents can be prevented from occurring on Illinois roadways by creating awareness of sharing the roadways safely. Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Proclamations promote a positive attitude for all road users, regardless of the chosen mode of transportation.

Upon receipt of this letter, please contact the local A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc. chapter representative named below. She will be more than happy to set a time and date for all concerned to meet and join A.B.A.T.E. in proclaiming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in your community.

On behalf of motorcyclists throughout the great state of Illinois, A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc. remains dedicated to safety and awareness on the roadways, not only in the month of May, but throughout the year.

Sincerely,

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THE VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, ILLINOIS

PROCLAMATION BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, safety is the highest priority for the highways and streets of our Village and State; and

WHEREAS, the great State of Illinois is proud to be a national leader in motorcycle safety, education and awareness; and

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

WHEREAS, it is especially meaningful that the citizens of our village and state be aware of motorcycles on the roadways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and

WHEREAS, the members of A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc. (A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education), continually promote motorcycle safety, education and awareness in high school drivers' education programs and to the general public in our Village and State, presenting motorcycle awareness programs to over 100,000 participants in Illinois over the past four years; and

WHEREAS, all motorcyclists should join A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc. in actively promoting the safe operation of motorcycles as well as promoting motorcycle safety, education, awareness and respect of the citizens of our Village and State; and

WHEREAS, the motorcyclists of Illinois have contributed extensive volunteerism and money to national and community charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, during the month of May, all roadway users should unite in the safe sharing of roadways within the Village of Chatham and throughout the great State of Illinois;

THEREFORE, I, Tom Gray, President of the Village of Chatham, in the great state of Illinois, in recognition of 21 years of A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc., and over 558,000 registered motorcyclists statewide, and in recognition of the continued role Illinois serves as a leader in motorcycle safety, education and awareness,

DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MAY, THIS YEAR 2008 AS

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH

in the village of Chatham, and urge all motorists to join in an effort to improve safety and awareness on our roadways.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Village of Chatham, to be affixed this 22 day of APRIL, in the year Two Thousand Eight.

(Seal)



