

“MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH”

- WHEREAS** *British Columbia’s climate and scenery make motorcycle riding an attraction in the beautiful City of Victoria, and riders consider our roadways to be some of the best for riding; and*
- WHEREAS** *motorcycles are increasingly used as a regular means of transportation; and*
- WHEREAS** *the motorcycle is an energy-efficient vehicle that reduces fuel consumption, traffic, and parking congestion; and*
- WHEREAS** *the motorcycle is an important form of transportation for commuting, touring, and recreations on City of Victoria roadways; and*
- WHEREAS** *as a matter of safety, it is necessary to develop appropriate driving habits to handle these vehicles on City of Victoria roadways; and*
- WHEREAS** *to prevent injuries and deaths on British Columbia’s roadways, motorcyclists and motorists must be vigilant in their efforts to share the road and ensure the safety of everyone; and*
- WHEREAS** *Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month raises public awareness for a lifetime of safe motorcycle riding; and*
- WHEREAS** *the International Women’s Motorcycle Club, Leather & Lace MC, is committed to increasing the safe operation of motorcycles by promoting rider safety education programs; their goal is to alert the motorists of Victoria in British Columbia to: SHARE THE ROAD; and*
- WHEREAS** *Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month is designed to increase public awareness about motorcycles and to encourage their safe and proper use among motorcycle riders.*

NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the month of May 2017 as **“MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH”** on the **TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES** of the **ESQUIMALT AND SONGHEES FIRST NATIONS** in the **CITY OF VICTORIA, CAPITAL CITY** of the **PROVINCE** of **BRITISH COLUMBIA** and ask all citizens to join in a concerted effort to promote awareness, mutual respect, and safety on our roads.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 27th day of April, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

LISA HELPS
MAYOR
CITY OF VICTORIA
BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sponsored by:
Carol MacDougall
Leather & Lace MC



Committee of the Whole Report For the Meeting of April 20, 2017

To: Committee of the Whole
From: Chris Coates, City Clerk
Date: April 10, 2017
Subject: Proclamation "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month" May, 2017

RECOMMENDATION

That the "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month" May, 2017 Proclamation be forwarded to the April 27, 2017 Council meeting for Council's consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached as Appendix A is the requested Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month Proclamation. Council has recently established new policy addressing proclamation requests. The policy provides for:

- A staff report to Committee of the Whole.
- Each Proclamation request requiring a motion approved at Committee of the Whole prior to forwarding it to Council for their consideration.
- Staff providing Council with a list of Proclamations made in the previous year.
- Council voting on each Proclamation individually.
- Council's consideration of Proclamations is to fulfil a request rather than taking a position.

A list of 2016 and 2017 Proclamations is provided as Appendix B in accordance with the new policy. Consistent with City Policy, Proclamations issued are established as fulfilling a request and does not represent an endorsement of the content of the Proclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Coates'.

Chris Coates
City Clerk

Appendix A: Proclamation "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month" May, 2017
Appendix B: List of Previously 2016 and 2017 Proclamations