



# Staff Report

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**Agenda Item:** Proclaiming May 2009 as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month – approval of a proclamation declaring the month of May as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month.

**Staff Contact:** Walt Good, Deputy Town Clerk

**Meeting Date:** April 28, 2009

**Background:** This request came from Robert Molzan, Vice Chairman, Modified Motorcycle Association of Arizona (MMA-AZ). Their Association is dedicated to the safety and rights of Arizona motorcycle riders and motorcycle enthusiasts as well as dedicated to educating the general public with motorcycle awareness and highway safety. The Association is attempting to get Proclamations throughout the State of Arizona citing May 2009 as "Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month" in keeping with the Governor's proclamation from May of 2008. MMA-AZ would like help in obtaining a proclamation from the Town and Mayor of Clarkdale to recognize May as Motorcycle awareness month in Clarkdale.

**Recommendation:** Approval of a proclamation declaring the month of May as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month.

# Proclamation

## Proclaiming May 2009 as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month

*Whereas, May 2009 has been designated Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month; and*

*Whereas, motorcycle riding is a popular form of recreation and transportation for thousands of people across Arizona and our Nation; and*

*Whereas, the safe operation of a motorcycle requires the use of special skills developed through a combination of training and expertise, the use of good judgment, and through knowledge of traffic laws and licensing requirements; and*

*Whereas, it is especially important that the residents of Clarkdale and of Arizona be aware of motorcycles on the streets and highways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and*

*Whereas, all highway users are being encouraged to join in the safe sharing of the roadways throughout Town of Clarkdale and the State of Arizona;*

*Now, Therefore, the Mayor and the Town Council of the Town of Clarkdale do hereby proclaim the month of May 2009 as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in Clarkdale.*

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009

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Doug Von Gausig, Mayor