## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 101

Rep. Alexander offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to declare May 2025 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. 2 3 Whereas, Michigan has 233,497 registered motorcycles and 4 612,242 individuals who have operator licenses with a motorcycle 5 endorsement; and Whereas, The safe operation of a motorcycle requires the use 6 7 of special skills developed through a combination of training and expertise, the use of good judgment, plus a thorough knowledge of 8 9 traffic laws and licensing requirements; and 10 Whereas, The use of proper protective riding apparel is an important part of a motorcycle operator's responsibility; and 11 12 Whereas, Motorcycle safety awareness advocacy is a cooperative 13 effort to decrease the number of injuries and fatalities associated 14 with motorcycling; and

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Whereas, The promotion of motorcycle rider education programs 1 available through the Michigan Department of State, including 2 recommendations that motorcycle operators wear the proper gear, in 3 addition to driving their vehicles defensively and cautiously, is 4 5 intended to reduce the number of crashes; and 6 Whereas, The emergence of spring is synonymous with the return 7 of motorcycle enthusiasts to our state's roadways. Throughout 8 Michigan, motorcyclists have been on the cutting edge of supporting 9 the wise and sensible use of this enjoyable mode of travel; and 10 Whereas, Indeed, the disproportionate number of motorcycle 11 fatalities make it vitally important to encourage motorcyclists to understand and practice the highest degree of safety. It is also 12 important to remind other drivers that highway safety is beneficial 13 14 to all parties traveling on public roadways; and 15 Whereas, Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month encourages 16 motorcycle operators to don proper protective riding attire, maintain their motorcycles using safety and maintenance checks 17 18 found in the owner's manual, abide by the laws of the road, and implement operating techniques providing an additional standard of 19 20 safety; and Whereas, Car and truck drivers are informed of the fact that 21 22 motorcyclists are resuming their travels on our public roadways and 23 each is advised to be exceptionally vigilant and watchful when 24 approaching or passing a motorcycle on the highway; now, therefore 25 be it. 26 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of 27 this legislative body declare May 2025 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. We encourage all of 28 29 Michigan's citizens to participate in the aims and goals of this

1 effort.