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RESOLUTION

Recognizing Bike Helmet Safety Awareness Week, May
9-18, 2014.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize May 9-18, 2014, as Bike Helmet Safety Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, The use of bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, and scooters has increased in Ohio communities. Both the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission and the Bicycle Helmet Safety Institute recommend the use of helmets for these and other forms of recreation; and

WHEREAS, Encouraging the use of helmets for a variety of activities can help provide valuable protection for participants. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, universal use of bicycle helmets by children ages 4 to 15 could prevent between 135 and 155 deaths, between 39,000 and 45,000 head injuries, and between 18,000 and 55,000 scalp and facial injuries each year; and

WHEREAS, The safety of Ohio's youth is of paramount importance. Declared by Governor John R. Kasich, Bike Helmet Safety Awareness Week calls attention to the need to wear helmets while using bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, and scooters; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, recognize

May 9-18, 2014, as Bike Helmet Safety Awareness Week and encourage the use of helmets; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the American Academy of Pediatrics and to the news media of Ohio.