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MOTORCYCLE OHIO PRESENTS SAVED BY THE HELMET AWARD

Presentation made during annual safety awareness event

(COLUMBUS) – Today, Motorcycle Ohio, part of the Ohio Department of Public Safety's (ODPS) Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) gathered together with state leaders, traffic safety partners, law enforcement, motorcycle advocates and enthusiasts to raise motorcycle safety awareness.

"It is important that we continue to educate both riders and motorists alike about the importance of motorcycle safety," said ODPS Director John Born. "We must also continue working with our traffic safety partners on education, enforcement and engineering efforts that ultimately contribute to a safer Ohio."

Motorcycle Ohio, a leader in rider education, also presented the Saved by the Helmet Award to Ohio State Highway Patrol Sgt. Reggie Streicher, who was recently injured while wearing his helmet. Sgt. Streicher, who was unable to attend the event, is assigned to the Columbus Metro post. Ohio State Highway Patrol Lt. Col. Teaford accepted the award on his behalf.

Motorcycle Ohio is working with state and local safety partners to get the message out to riders and motorists that everyone plays a critical role in motorcycle safety. Motorcycle Ohio and its partners will be working to continue these messages across the state during the entire riding season.

Those interested in nominating someone for the Saved by the Helmet Award can call 1-800-83-RIDER (1-800-837-4337) or visit: http://www.motorcycle.ohio.gov/safety_awards.stm

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Motorcycle Ohio is run by ODPS' Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS). OCJS serves as the lead justice planning and assistance agency and administers the driver training program for the state. Through research, technology and grants, OCJS serves a wide variety of agencies committed to reducing and preventing crime.

