

WHEREAS: Motor vehicle crashes are one of the leading causes of death and serious injuries in Oregon; and

WHEREAS: Oregon experienced a slight decrease in the number of traffic fatalities in 2020, but any fatality is one too many; and

WHEREAS: The State of Oregon, through the Oregon Department of Transportation and its various divisions, strives to provide a safe, efficient transportation system that supports economic opportunity and livable communities for Oregonians; and

WHEREAS: Oregon Department of Transportation seeks to enhance the safety of the traveling public, property owners, department employees and the workers who build, operate and maintain our transportation system, by delivering programs through partners in education, enforcement, engineering, and emergency medical services.

NOW,

THEREFORE: We, the Governor-appointed Oregon Transportation Safety Committee, hereby declare the month of **May 2021** to be

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.