

RESOLUTION 2017-181

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING THE *2017 UDRIVE. UTEXT. UPAY.* *DISTRACTED DRIVING CRACKDOWN APRIL 1 - 21, 2017*

Whereas, distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice that is preventable; and

Whereas, distracted driving can result in injuries and deaths to all road users (motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists); and

Whereas, distracted driving occurs when drivers divert their attention away from the task of driving to focus on another activity instead; and

Whereas, in 2014 alone distracted driving-related crashes resulted in 3,179 deaths and 431,000 injuries on our nation's roads; and

Whereas, in New Jersey distracted driving was listed as a contributing circumstance in more than 800,000 crashes between 2010-2014; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Distracted Driving 2017 Crackdown* from April 1 - 21, 2017 in an effort to raise awareness and decrease driver distraction through a combination of enforcement and education; and

Whereas, the national slogan for the campaign is *UDrive. UText. UPay*, and

Whereas, a reduction in distracted driving in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;

Therefore, be it resolved that Barnegat Township declares it's support for the *Distracted Driving 2017 Crackdown* both locally and nationally from April 1 - 21, 2017 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele Rivers, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Barnegat, do hereby certify that the forgoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Barnegat Township Committee at their meeting held on the 4th day of April, 2017

Michele Rivers, RMC
Municipal Clerk