

RESOLUTION 2018 - 147

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING THE 2018 UDRIVE. UTEXT. UPAY. DISTRACTED DRIVING CRACKDOWN
APRIL 1 - 21, 2018**

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 2015 alone distracted driving-related crashes resulted in 3,477 deaths and 391,000 injuries on our nation's roads; and

Whereas, in New Jersey distracted driving was listed as a contributing circumstance in nearly 750,000 crashes between 2011-2015; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Distracted Driving 2018 Crackdown* from April 1 - 21, 2018 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 the governing body of the Township of Barnegat declares its support for the *Distracted Driving 2018 Crackdown* both locally and nationally from April 1 - 21, 2018 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele Rivers, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the governing body at a meeting held in the Municipal Complex 900 W. Bay Avenue, Barnegat, NJ on the 3rd day of April, 2018.

Michele Rivers, RMC
Municipal Clerk