RESOLUTION 2015-381

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2015 AS 3-D: NATION DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, nearly thirty people die every day in the United States as a result of motor vehicle crashes that involve an alcohol-impaired driver; and

WHEREAS, one in three underage, teen drivers involved in a fatal crash had some alcohol in their system in 2010. Most of these (81%) had a Blood Alcohol Content higher than the legal limit for adults; and

WHEREAS, 82% of teens in high school who reported drinking and driving in the past month also say they "binge drank" (5 or more drinks within two hours); and

WHEREAS, drugged driving presents a deadly risk to everyone on the road. Data has shown that while the overall number of drivers killed in motor vehicle crashes in the United States has declined, involvement of drugs in fatal crashes increased by 6 percentage points over the past 6 years; and

WHEREAS, impaired driving crashes are most likely to occur in the evening hours, on weekends and during specific holidays such as Christmas-New Years, Halloween, St. Patrick's Day, Prom, Graduations and Celebrations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ocean County Board of Health does hereby proclaim the month of December 2015 as **3-D NATIONAL DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING PREVENTION MONTH** in Ocean County and encourages safe responsible driving for the mutual benefit of the motoring public and all pedestrians this Holiday Season and throughout the year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office, Ocean County Police Chiefs, and Ocean County Municipalities.

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele A. 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 Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat at their regular meeting held in the Municipal Complex, 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, on the 14th day of December 2015,

Michele A. Rivers, RMC Municipal Clerk