RESOLUTION 2018 – 196

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING THE *CLICK IT OR TICKET* MOBILIZATION OF MAY 21 THROUGH JUNE 3, 2018

WHEREAS, there were 626 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2017; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the motor vehicle occupants killed in traffic crashes were not wearing a seat belt; and

WHEREAS, use of a seat belt remains the most effective way to avoid death or serious injury in a motor vehicle crash; and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 135,000 lives were saved by safety belt usage nationally between 1975-2000; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Click It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization from May 21 through June 3, 2018 in an effort to raise awareness and increase seat belt usage through a combination of enforcement and education; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Highway Traffic Safety has set a goal of increasing the seat belt usage rate in the state from the current level of 94% to 95.5%; and

WHEREAS, a further increase in seat belt usage in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;

THEREFORE be it resolved that Barnegat Township declares its support for the *Click It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization both locally and nationally from May 21 - June 3, 2018 and pledges to increase awareness of the mobilization and the benefits of seat belt use.

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 Barnegat Township Committee at their regular meeting held in the Municipal Complex, 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, on the 24th day of May, 2018.

Michele Rivers, RMC Municipal Clerk