

**RESOLUTION 2014- 187**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, COUNTY OF OCEAN,  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF  
APRIL AS “NATIONAL DISTRACTED DRIVERS AWARENESS MONTH”**

**WHEREAS**, April 2014 is known as National Distracted Drivers Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, distracted driving is any activity that could divert a person’s attention away from the primary task of driving. All distracted driving endangers drivers, passengers, and bystander safety; and

**WHEREAS**, an estimated minimum of 28 percent of all traffic crashes – or 1.6 million per year – are caused by drivers using cell phone and texting; and

**WHEREAS**, for drivers 15-19 years of age involved in fatal crashes, 21 percent of the distracted drives were distracted by the use of cell phones; and

**WHEREAS**, a quarter of teens respond to a text message once or more every time they drive. Twenty percent of teens and 10 percent of parents admit that they have extended multi-message text conversations while driving.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Ocean County Board of Health that the month of April 2014 is hereby declared as National Distracted Drivers Month, and promotes addressing and eliminating distract5ed driving by education all residents about the dangers it poses.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the certified copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Ocean County Mayors.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Diane B. Ambrosio, Clerk of the Township of Ocean, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 2014.

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Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC  
Township Clerk