

Office of the Mayor

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Proclamation
Supporting the
2019 UDrive. UText. UPay.
Distracted Driving Crackdown
April 1 - 21, 2019

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* 2019 Crackdown from April 1 - 21, 2019 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 Borough of Runnemede declares its support for the Distracted Driving 2019 Crackdown both locally and nationally from April 1 - 21, 2019 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.

Nick Kappatos, Mayor

Borough of Runnemede

April 2, 2019