

Monday, April 10, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 83-23

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES** Seconded by Councilor

2023 UDrive. UText. UPay. Distracted Driving Crackdown April 1 - 30, 2023

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, from 2011-2020 distracted driving-related crashes resulted in 32,000 deaths on our nation's roads; and

WHEREAS, in New Jersey distracted driving was listed as a contributing circumstance in 50-percent of all motor vehicle crashes from 2016-2020; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Distracted Driving 2023 Crackdown* from April 1 - 30, 2023 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 <u>UDrive. UText. UPay</u>; and

WHEREAS, a reduction in distracted driving in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;

THEREFORE, be is resolved that the Borough of Glen Ridge declares it's support for the *Distracted Driving 2023 Crackdown* both locally and nationally from April 1 - 30, 2023 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.