

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO
RESOLUTION 18-009

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF BRINGING
AWARENESS TO DISTRACTED DRIVING**

The Board of Trustees of Springfield Township, Lucas County, Ohio, met in regular session Monday, May 21, 2018, at 7617 Angola Road, Holland, Ohio, with the following members present:

Robert Bethel, Andrew Glenn and Tom Anderson Jr.

Robert Bethel moved the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, distracted driving has become the leading cause of motor vehicle crashes in America. In 2016, distracted driving resulted in the death of 3,450 people nationally. It is reported that approximately 660,000 drivers are operating electronic devices while driving;

WHEREAS, those driving while handling hand-held devices are four times more likely to be involved in a serious crash. Since 2007, texting has become the most common form of distraction among millennials. In 2016 one-tenth of all fatal crashes were distraction related, and drivers under the age of 20 were involved in the highest number of distraction related crashes. Increasing awareness of the dangers of distracted driving can help decrease the number of these preventable crashes; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that Springfield Township stays committed to ensuring the safety of our community and roadways in order to eliminate the devastating consequences of distracted driving. The Ohio Department of Public Safety's "Stay Alive – Don't Text and Drive" campaign is focused on enforcement, engineering, and educating the public on safe driving and this campaign has our full support; and

WHEREAS, Springfield Township commends the Ohio Department of Public Safety and all agencies that advocate for increased awareness and the education of drivers on safe driving measures. We join them in recognizing the distracted driving initiative.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Springfield Township Board of Trustees:


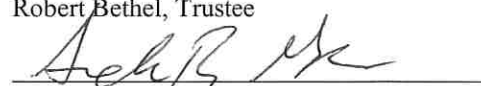
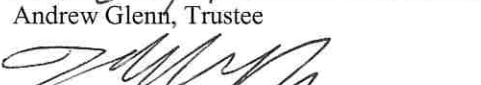
1. Springfield Township Board of Trustees adopt a Proclamation to recognize the importance of bringing awareness to distracted driving and pledge as leaders of the community to support such awareness and also urge all citizens to make responsible decisions and to understand the grave dangers of distracted driving and the importance of keeping our community safe.
2. Springfield Township Board of Trustees pledge to lead by example, and by signing the pledge banner, promise to refrain from texting and driving all other related issues to distracted driving and encourage employees and the general public to do so as well.

Tom Anderson Jr. seconded the motion and roll resulted as follows:

Robert Bethel - Yes Andrew Glenn - Yes Tom Anderson Jr. - Yes

ATTEST:


Barbara Dietze, Fiscal Officer
May 21, 2018, Regular Trustee Meeting


Robert Bethel, Trustee

Andrew Glenn, Trustee

Tom Anderson Jr., Trustee