

## **Township of West Milford**

Passaic County, New Jersey

### **~ Resolution 2021 – 141 ~**

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2021 DISTRACTED DRIVING CRACKDOWN GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, distracted driving is a dangerous epidemic on America's roadways; and

**WHEREAS**, in New Jersey, driver inattention remains the most significant cause of fatal and incapacitating crashes; and

**WHEREAS**, to aid municipalities in addressing this increased volume and to help offset the increased cost of police enforcement during these periods, the Federal Government offers grant funds to certain municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has grant monies available that may be used to assist the Township in offsetting the costs associated with the need for increased special enforcement patrols targeting distracted drivers; and has granted the department with \$7,500.00 to be used for enforcement, and

**WHEREAS**, April is National Distracted Driver Month, which is a time to remind New Jersey motorists of the states distracting driving laws, which include a ban on hand-held cell phone use and text messaging by all drivers and a ban on cell phone use (hand held or hands free) by novice drivers; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Milford Police Department has an obligation to keep our roadways safe.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford hereby authorizes the acceptance of the 2021 Distracted Driving Crackdown, U Drive, U Text, U Pay for the month of April 2021 to reduce the number of motor vehicle fatalities in the state.

Adopted: April 7, 2021

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021  
and certified as a true copy of an original.

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William Senande, Township Clerk