

**RESOLUTION 306(18)**

November 7, 2018

WHEREAS, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, every day 28 people in the United States die in alcohol-related vehicle crashes, that's one person every 51 minutes; and drunk driving claims more than 10,000 lives per year. Those deaths and damages contribute to a cost of 52 billion dollars a year; and

WHEREAS, according to NHTSA, over 150 more people died in alcohol-impaired driving crashes in 2016 than in 2015 (10,320 to 10,497). That was an increase of 1.7%. And, sadly, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics, 1 out of 5 motor vehicle deaths of children involve an alcohol-impaired driver, most often someone driving the child; and

WHEREAS, 24 percent of drivers age 15 to 20 who were killed in motor vehicle crashes in 2015 had been drinking some amount of alcohol; 19 percent were alcohol-impaired, which is defined by a blood alcohol content of 0.08 grams per deciliter of higher (this does not include substances other than alcohol); and

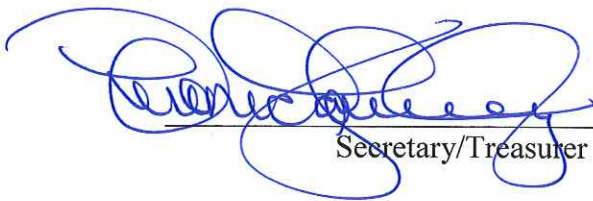
WHEREAS, motor vehicles crashes are the leading cause of death among 16 to 20 year olds, according to most recent data (2014) from the National Center for Health Statistics, in approximately one-third of those crashes, alcohol or drugs played a role; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Health Department administers the Ocean County Intoxicated Driver Resource Center (IDRC).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ocean County Board of Health does hereby proclaim the month of December 2018 as National Impaired Driving Prevention Month in Ocean County and encourages safe and responsible driving for the mutual benefit of the motoring public and all pedestrians this holiday season and throughout the year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office, and the Ocean County Police Chiefs.

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Ayes	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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