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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)

RESOLUTIONS COMMENDING THE NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL INC FOR ITS  
RECOGNITION OF APRIL 2024 AS DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS MONTH..

1           WHEREAS, MORE THAN 3,000 AMERICANS ARE KILLED IN DISTRACTED  
2   DRIVING CRASHES EACH YEAR AND THE ECONOMIC TOLL OF ALL MOTOR  
3   VEHICLE CRASHES IN THE UNITED STATES EXCEEDS \$490 BILLION ANNUALLY;  
4   AND

5           WHEREAS, TALKING ON A MOBILE PHONE, EVEN IN HANDS-FREE MODE,  
6   TEXTING OR PROGRAMMING A DASHBOARD INFOTAINMENT SYSTEM OR GPS  
7   DEVICE CAN DIVERT ATTENTION AWAY FROM DRIVING AND RESULT IN VISUAL,  
8   MANUAL OR COGNITIVE DISTRACTION; AND

9           WHEREAS, PREVENTING DISTRACTED DRIVING INJURIES AND  
10   DEATHS REQUIRES THE COOPERATION OF ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT,  
11   EMPLOYERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC; AND

12           WHEREAS, THE NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL, INC AND THE  
13   COMMONWEALTH WORK TO PROMOTE POLICIES, PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES  
14   TO INCREASE SAFETY ON ROADS AND HIGHWAYS; AND

15           WHEREAS, THE NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL, INC IS ENGAGING IN A  
16 MONTH-LONG DISTRACTED DRIVING PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN; AND

17           WHEREAS, SPRING IS A TIME WHEN PEOPLE BEGIN TO LOG MORE MILES  
18 ON THE ROAD AND IT IS IMPORTANT TO RAISE AWARENESS OF MOTOR VEHICLE  
19 INJURY RISKS AND PREVENTION; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

20           RESOLVED, THAT THE MASSACHUSETTS SENATE HEREBY COMMENDS THE  
21 NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL INC FOR ITS RECOGNITION OF APRIL 2024 AS  
22 DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS MONTH AND STRONGLY URGES RESIDENTS  
23 AND BUSINESSES IN THE COMMONWEALTH TO PRACTICE SAFE DRIVING  
24 BEHAVIORS; AND BE IT FURTHER

25           RESOLVED, THAT A COPY OF THESE RESOLUTIONS BE TRANSMITTED  
26 FORTHWITH BY THE CLERK OF THE SENATE TO THE NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL  
27 INC.

SUBMITTED BY:

SENATOR MOORE

COSPONSORS: