

By: Representative Holcomb

HOUSE RESOLUTION

TO PROCLAIM APRIL 2021 DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS
MONTH.

Subtitle

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WHEREAS, distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice that is preventable; and

WHEREAS, distracted driving can result in injury and death to all road users, including without limitation:

- (1) Motorists;
- (2) Pedestrians; and
- (3) Bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, distracted driving occurs when a driver diverts his or her attention away from the task of driving to focus on another activity; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, distracted driving contributed to four thousand three-hundred and ninety-two (4,392) motor vehicle accidents and twenty-five (25) fatalities in the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, out of the seventy-one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight (71,868) motor vehicle accidents investigated by Arkansas law enforcement in 2020, distracted driving accounted for more than six percent (6%) of the motor vehicle accidents; and



WHEREAS, the increased health and well-being of the citizens of this state is a direct result of increased enforcement and awareness concerning the dangers of distracted driving; and

WHEREAS, in order to reduce the number of crashes, as well as improve driver safety, drivers should commit to adopting and maintaining safe behavior while behind the wheel; and

WHEREAS, increased enforcement of distracted driving laws coupled with publicity has proven to be an effective method to reduce distracted driving and save lives,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives proclaim April 2021 distracted driving awareness month.