

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS
DECLARING APRIL 2020 AS “DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS
MONTH”**

WHEREAS, Americans send and receive more than 500 billion texts every month; and

WHEREAS, over 660,000 drivers in the United States are estimated to use cell phones each day; and

WHEREAS, one third of all teenage drivers admit to text messaging while driving; and

WHEREAS, talking on a cell phone makes a driver four times more likely to suffer an automobile crash resulting in hospitalization; and

WHEREAS, 26 percent of all motor vehicle crashes are related to the use of cell phones; and

WHEREAS, 48 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands prohibit text messaging for all drivers; and

WHEREAS, 20 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands prohibit all drivers from using hand-held cell phones while driving; and

WHEREAS, one of the priorities of the City of Los Altos is to improve traffic safety; and

WHEREAS, overall traffic fatalities fell by 22 percent and identifiable hand-held cell phone driver fatalities dropped by 47 percent following the enactment of California’s law prohibiting hand-held cell phone use.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Los Altos hereby recognize and declare April 2020 to be:

“Distracted Driving Awareness Month”

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Altos at a meeting thereof on the 24th day of March, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: BRUINS, ENANDER, FLIGOR, LEE ENG, PEPPER
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE



Janis C. Pepper, MAYOR

Attest:



Jon Maginot, CMC, CITY CLERK