RESOLUTION NO. 42-2018 AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT TO APPLY FOR 2018 DISTRACTED DRIVING CRACKDOWN TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT U Text U Drive U Pay

Councilmember Leckstein introduced and offered for adoption the following resolution; seconded by Councilmember Kelly:

WHEREAS, the safety of all citizens travelling on the roadways in the Borough of Sea Bright and the surrounding roadways is vitally important; and

WHEREAS, distracted driving is a dangerous epidemic on America's roadways and in New Jersey, driver inattention remains the most significant cause of fatal and incapacitating crashes; and

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

WHEREAS, the 2018 Distracted Driving Crackdown Traffic Safety Grant *U Text U Drive U Pay* provides federal funding for police officers, on an overtime basis, to conduct special enforcement patrols targeting distracted drivers from April 1 through April 21, 2018; and

WHEREAS, grant funds in the amount of \$6,600.00 are available, with no local match, from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to reimburse police personnel for 120 hours of overtime enforcement at a maximum rate of \$55/hour; and

WHEREAS, the deadline to apply for the grant is March 16, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sea Bright Police Chief has recommended that the Borough apply for said Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth wish to apply for the 2018 Distracted Driving Crackdown Traffic Safety Grant U Text U Drive U Pay from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the appropriate officials are hereby authorized to execute and sign any and all documents in order to effectuate the receipt of the aforementioned grant funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for the 2018 Distracted Driving Crackdown Traffic Safety Grant U Text U Drive U Pay; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

- 1. Director of Finance
- 2. Chief of Police
- 3. CFO

Roll Call: Birdsall, Keeler, Kelly, Leckstein, Rooney, Schwartz

Yes Yes Yes Yes absent

February 20, 2018

CERTIFICATION

I, Christine Pfeiffer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey at a Council meeting held on February 20, 2018.

Christine Pfeiffer, Borough Clerk