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**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION
OF MAY 18-31, 2015**

WHEREAS, there were 142 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2013;
and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the motor vehicle occupants killed in
traffic crashes were not wearing a seat belt; and

WHEREAS, use of a seat belt remains the most effective way to avoid death
or serious injury in a motor vehicle crash; and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates
that 12,000 lives were saved by safety belt usage nationally 2012; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Click
It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization from May 18–31, 2015 in an effort to raise
awareness and increase seat belt usage through a combination of enforcement and
education; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Highway Traffic Safety has set a goal of
increasing the seat belt usage rate in the state from the current level of 87.59% to
90%; and

WHEREAS, a further increase in seat belt usage in New Jersey will save lives
on our roadways;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Wharton
declares it's support for the *Click It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization both locally and
nationally from May 18–31, 2015 and pledges to increase awareness of the
mobilization and the benefits of seat belt use.

DATED: March 23, 2015

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

ATTEST:

WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR

Gabrielle Evangelista,
Borough Clerk