

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 269

Approved May 12, 2000

WHEREAS, Alcohol involvement is the single greatest factor in motor vehicle deaths and injuries, and though only four percent of all crashes involve the use of alcohol, alcohol contributes to forty one percent of fatal crashes, and

WHEREAS, Approximately one million people are injured annually in alcohol related traffic accidents; and

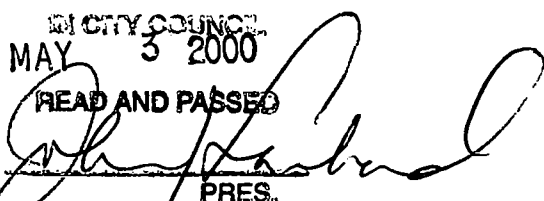
WHEREAS, At .08 everyone is impaired to the point that critical driving skills such as reaction time, attention, tracking and comprehension are degraded; and

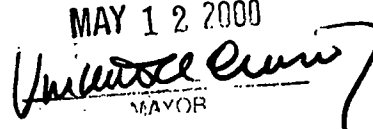
WHEREAS, Many States are now lowering the BAC defining impaired driving from .10 to .08; a BAC as low as .02 has been shown to affect driving ability and crash likelihood; and

WHEREAS, If every State adopted a .08 per se law, between 500 to 600 lives could be saved every year according to a recent study conducted by researchers at Boston University; and

WHEREAS, a .08 law serves as a general deterrent to drinking and driving, sends a message that the State is getting tougher on impaired driving and makes people think twice about getting behind the wheel after they've had too much to drink.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby proclaim April 2000 is Alcohol Awareness Month in the City of Providence and requests that Providence's legislative delegation vote in favor of the .08 legislation in their capacities in the General Assembly.

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**PROCLAMATION**  
**ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH 2000**

WHEREAS, alcohol involvement is the single greatest factor in motor vehicle deaths and injuries, and though only 4% of all crashes involve the use of alcohol, alcohol contributes to 41% of fatal crashes; and

WHEREAS, approximately one million people are injured annually in alcohol-related traffic accidents; and

WHEREAS, at .08 everyone is impaired to the point that critical driving skills such as reaction time, attention, tracking and comprehension are degraded; and

WHEREAS, many States are now lowering the BAC defining impaired driving from .10 to .08; a BAC as low as .02 has been shown to affect driving ability and crash likelihood; and

WHEREAS, if every State adopted a .08 per se law, between 500-600 lives could be saved every year according to a recent study conducted by researchers at Boston University; and

WHEREAS, a .08 law serves as a general deterrent to drinking and driving, sends a message that the State is getting tougher on impaired driving and makes people think twice about getting behind the wheel after they've had too much to drink.

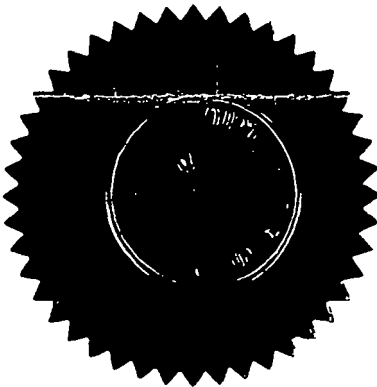
NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Council of the Town of Barrington does hereby proclaim that April 2000 is

**ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH**

in the Town of Barrington and requests that

Barrington's legislative delegation vote in favor of the .08 legislation in their capacities in the General Assembly and that this Proclamation be forwarded to the other 38 Rhode Island cities and towns for adoption and support by their representatives and senators.

Adopted by the Barrington Town Council this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2000.

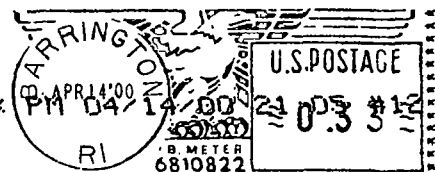


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