

State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



2013 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 107

February 20, 2014 – Introduced by Representatives BIES, SPIROS, BERCEAU, WACHS, KERKMAN and OHNSTAD, cosponsored by Senators LASSA, L. TAYLOR, C. LARSON and LEHMAN. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: proclaiming distracted driving awareness day.
2	Whereas, April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month, which is
3	dedicated to discouraging the use of cell phones while driving, recognizing that
4	hands-free devices offer no safety benefit, and understanding the dangers of
5	cognitive distraction while driving; and
6	Whereas, studies show that drivers talking on cell phones, whether or not using
7	hands-free devices, are four times more likely to be involved in car accidents; and
8	Whereas, the National Safety Council estimates that drivers using cell phones
9	cause 25 percent of car accidents in the United States; and
10	Whereas, drivers talking on cell phones can miss up to 50 percent of the driving
11	environment; and
12	Whereas, sending or receiving a text message takes a driver's eyes from the
13	road for an average of 4.6 seconds, the equivalent—at 55 miles per hour—of driving
14	the length of a football field without watching the road; and

Whereas, a distracted driving awareness day for the state of Wisconsin would
 help raise awareness of the dangers of driving while distracted; now, therefore, be
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Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin
legislature hereby proclaims Thursday, April 24, 2014, as distracted driving
awareness day.

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(END)