1 2	EXHIBIT 1
2 3 4	RESOLUTION NO. 2016 -
4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13	A RESOLUTION OF MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO AMEND SECTION 316.305 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTE TO AUTHORIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO STOP MOTOR VEHICLES AND ISSUE CITATIONS AS A PRIMARY OFFENSE TO PERSONS WHO ARE TEXTING WHILE DRIVING; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
14 15	WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has seen fit to enact Section 316.305 the "Florida
16	Ban on Texting while Driving Law; and
17 18	WHEREAS, Section 316.305 authorizes law enforcement officers to issue a citation to
19	individuals only as a secondary offense; and
20 21	WHEREAS, approximately two hundred and fourteen (214) individuals were killed in
22	Florida due to distracted drivers; and
23 24	WHEREAS, distracted driving is believed to have been the cause for approximately over
25	thirty-nine thousand (39,000) sustained injuries in automobile crashes; and
26 27	WHEREAS, there have been approximately forty-five thousand seven hundred (45,700)
28	automobile crashes attributed to distracted drivers, up by 1/3 since the enactment of Section
29	316.305; and
30 31	WHEREAS, the State of Florida has one of the weakest texting while driving laws in the
32	nation; and
33 34 25	WHEREAS State Senator Thad Altman attempted to amond 216 205 to make texting
35 26	WHEREAS, State Senator Thad Altman attempted to amend 316.305 to make texting
36 37	while driving a primary offense, allowing law enforcement officers the authority to stop motor vehicle drivers when no other traffic violation offense is occurring and said bill died in committee;
37	and
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40	WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission desires to strongly urge the Florida
41	Legislators to strengthen the Florida law banning texting while driving by amending Section
42	316.305 in the 2017 Legislative Session to make it a primary offense.
43 44	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION
45	OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA:
46 47	SECTION 1. Supporting Senate Bill 904. The Mayor and City Commission of the City
48	of Hallandale Beach strongly urge the Florida legislature to strengthen the Florida law banning
49	texting while driving by amending Section 316.305 of the Florida Statutes in the 2017 Legislative
50	Session to make it a primary offense.
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52	SECTION 2. Directions to City Manager. The Mayor and City Commission direct the
53	City Manager to cause a copy of this resolution to be forwarded to all appropriate parties.
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55	SECTION 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its
56	passage and adoption.
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58	APPROVED AND ADOPTED on day of September, 2016.
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62 63	JOY F. COOPER MAYOR
64	SPONSORED BY: COMMISSIONER MICHELE LAZAROW
65	ATTEST:
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67 68 69 70	MARIO BATAILLE, CMC CITY CLERK
71 72 73 74 75 76	APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FORM
77	V. LYNN WHITFIELD
78	CITY ATTORNEY
	2 RESO NO. 201