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HR 1035

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 TO PROCLAIM APRIL 2021 DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS
9 MONTH.

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12 **Subtitle**

13 TO PROCLAIM APRIL 2021 DISTRACTED DRIVING
14 AWARENESS MONTH.

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17 WHEREAS, distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice
18 that is preventable; and

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20 WHEREAS, distracted driving can result in injury and death to all road
21 users, including without limitation:

- 22 (1) Motorists;
23 (2) Pedestrians; and
24 (3) Bicyclists; and

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26 WHEREAS, distracted driving occurs when a driver diverts his or her
27 attention away from the task of driving to focus on another activity; and

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29 WHEREAS, in 2020, distracted driving contributed to four thousand
30 three-hundred and ninety-two (4,392) motor vehicle accidents and twenty-five
31 (25) fatalities in the State of Arkansas; and

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33 WHEREAS, out of the seventy-one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight
34 (71,868) motor vehicle accidents investigated by Arkansas law enforcement in
35 2020, distracted driving accounted for more than six percent (6%) of the
36 motor vehicle accidents; and



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2 WHEREAS, the increased health and well-being of the citizens of this
3 state is a direct result of increased enforcement and awareness concerning
4 the dangers of distracted driving; and

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6 WHEREAS, in order to reduce the number of crashes, as well as improve
7 driver safety, drivers should commit to adopting and maintaining safe
8 behavior while behind the wheel; and

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10 WHEREAS, increased enforcement of distracted driving laws coupled with
11 publicity has proven to be an effective method to reduce distracted driving
12 and save lives,

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14 NOW THEREFORE,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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18 THAT the House of Representatives proclaim April 2021 distracted
19 driving awareness month.
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