

TOWN OF BLUFFTON NATIONAL IMPAIRED/DISTRACTED DRIVING PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, driving on our roadways during the month of December can be a dangerous time; and

WHEREAS, two of the most celebrated days of the year are Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve are known as the most deadly; and

WHEREAS, December has been recognized as National Impaired Driving Prevention Month by every President since 1981; and

WHEREAS, alcohol and other drugs including opioids, marijuana, prescription and overthe-counter medicines can impair driving; and

WHEREAS, lack of experience, speeding, use of cell phones, and texting are some of the distractions that can affect the ability to drive; and

WHEREAS, the LowCountry Alliance for Healthy Youth and Teens for Healthy Youth are working to raise awareness on the dangers of impaired and distracted driving; and

WHEREAS, the LowCountry Alliance for Healthy Youth and Teens for Healthy Youth share our appreciation and support for the Town of Bluffton's "Stay Safe Bluffton" Driving Campaign, which aims to prevent impaired and distracted driving; and

WHEREAS, LowCountry Alliance for Healthy Youth Coalition and Teens for Healthy Youth call upon the Town of Bluffton to proclaim December 2024 as Impaired/Distracted Driving Prevention Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Larry Toomer, Mayor of the Town of Bluffton, along with Town Council, do hereby proclaim December 2024 as Impaired/Distracted Driving Prevention Month in the Town of Bluffton and urge all citizens to take an active fight against impaired and distracted driving during the holidays and throughout the coming New Year.

Larry C. Toomer, Mayor