

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-69

**Supporting the *Click It or Ticket*
Mobilization of May 19 – June 1, 2008**

WHEREAS, there were 716 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2007; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the motor vehicle occupants killed in traffic crashes were not wearing a seat belt; and

WHEREAS, use of a seat belt remains the most effective way to avoid death or serious injury in a motor vehicle crash; and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 135,000 lives were saved by safety belt usage nationally between 1975-2000; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Click It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization from May 19 – June 1, 2008 in an effort to raise awareness and increase seat belt usage through a combination of enforcement and education; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Highway Traffic Safety has set a goal of increasing the seat belt usage rate in the State from the current level of 91% to 93%; and

WHEREAS, a further increase in seat belt usage in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Aberdeen that it hereby supports the *Click It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization both locally and nationally from May 19 – June 1, 2008 and pledges to increase awareness of the mobilization and the benefits of seat belt use.