



By His Excellency Dannel P. Malloy, Governor: an  
**Official Statement**

WHEREAS, public awareness of the hazards of inexperienced driving has been increased through the collaborative efforts of state government and national organizations including the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles Advisory Committee on Safe Teen Driving and the Governor's Highway Safety Association; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death for teens in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, seven teens between the ages of 16 and 19 died every day from motor vehicle accidents; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, about 2,700 teens in the United States aged 16-19 were killed in motor vehicle accidents and about 282,000 were treated in emergency departments for injuries sustained in motor vehicle crashes; and

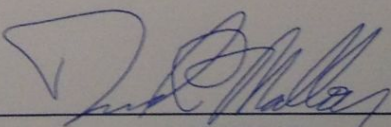
WHEREAS, the trauma caused by crashes involving inexperienced drivers touches the lives of countless families across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Connecticut benefit from local citizen activist groups such as Mourning Parents Act, Inc. (!MPACT), a volunteer organization which promotes safe teen driving; and

WHEREAS, !MPACT's Safe Teen Driving Program for teens and parents is offered for free throughout Connecticut to raise awareness of the hazards of inexperienced and distracted driving; now

THEREFORE, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim the week of December 1-7, 2013 as

**SAFE TEEN DRIVING AWARENESS WEEK**  
in the State of Connecticut.



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