1 State of Arkansas

2 92nd General Assembly

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5 By: Senator Maloch

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7   **SENATE RESOLUTION**

8   TO COMMEND THE WORK OF FAMILIES AGAINST DISTRACTIVE

9   DRIVING.

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12   **Subtitle**

13   TO COMMEND THE WORK OF FAMILIES AGAINST

14   DISTRACTIVE DRIVING.

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17   WHEREAS, Ms. Michele Paden, who grew up in Magnolia, Arkansas, is co-

18 founder and President of Families Against Distractive Driving, also known as

19 "FADD"; serves on the Coalition for Safer Teen Driving board at Arkansas

20 Children's Hospital in Little Rock, Arkansas; and participated in the Act to

21 End Deadly Distractions second roundtable at the National Transportation

22 Safety Board in Washington, D.C., in April 2017; and

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24   WHEREAS, FADD was started in honor of Ms. Paden's nephew, Grant Pyle,

25 who is a victim of distracted driving; and due to the driver of the car Grant

26 was riding in having been distracted by his phone, Grant is a quadriplegic

27 and depends on a wheelchair for mobility; and

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29   WHEREAS, since July 2014, Ms. Paden has been spreading awareness about

30 the dangers of distracted driving at schools, civic clubs, and community

31 events throughout Arkansas; during the 2015, 2017, and 2019 legislative

32 sessions, she testified and worked with legislators to strengthen the

33 distracted driving laws in Arkansas; and she is truly committed to FADD's

34 mission of saving lives, preventing serious injuries, and making our Arkansas

35 roadways safer; and

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1   WHEREAS, Ms. Paden and her husband, Matt, have one daughter, McKenzie,

2 and they live in Mountain Home, Arkansas,

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4 NOW THEREFORE,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE

6 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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8   THAT the Senate commends the work of Ms. Michele Paden and Families

9 Against Distractive Driving.

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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, a copy shall be

12 provided to Ms. Michele Paden and Families Against Distractive Driving.

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