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PARENT-TEEN DRIVING AGREEMENT

It is important for teens AND parents to drive without distractions!
Anything that takes your eyes, hands, or mind off the road is a distraction.

87% of adults and 92% of teens do at least one distracted driving behavior every time they drive.

Adults were 2 times more likely to crash or nearly crash when distracted.

Teens were 4 times more likely to crash or nearly crash when distracted.

Use this agreement to help one another be safer drivers!

PART I: WE WILL BE SMART DRIVERS

| TEEN | | PARENT |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <p>STAY FOCUSED ON DRIVING – EYES, HANDS, AND MIND!</p> <p>I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep my eyes on the road • Scan my surroundings for hazards • Keep both hands on the wheel • Check my blind spots | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <p>MAKE PREPARATIONS BEFORE YOU BEGIN</p> <p>I will do these things before I start the car:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secure children and pets • Find sunglasses • Store loose items • Prepare navigation tools • Set audio and climate controls • Complete personal grooming or adjust clothing | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <p>AVOID ALL OTHER ACTIVITIES</p> <p>I know that non-cell phone distractions increase crash risk too!</p> <p>I will wait until stopped to do things like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look for things in the vehicle • Change vehicle controls (AC, mirrors, etc.) • Search for music or change the radio • Eat or drink • Read map directions or adjust the navigator | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <p>RELY ON PASSENGERS</p> <p>I will ask passengers to complete the above tasks for me while I'm driving.</p> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <p>TEXT OR TALK LATER – LEAVE YOUR CELL PHONE ALONE!</p> <p>I know that texting is illegal for all drivers and it is illegal for teens with a Level 2 license to use a cell phone at all while driving.</p> <p>I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave my cell phone alone – no texting, talking, or anything else • Let others know that I don't talk or text while driving • Create a calm environment when passengers are with me | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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PART II: WE WILL FOLLOW THESE ADDITIONAL RULES EVERY TRIP

TEEN – I WILL:

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| Always wear a seat belt and require all passengers to wear seat belts, even in the backseat | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Always tell a parent/guardian where going and with whom | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Always call home if going to be late | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Always call home if for any reason it is not safe to drive or ride with someone else | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Obey all traffic laws, including those that limit driving at night and with passengers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teens with a level 2 license may not drive from 10pm-5am without an adult • Teens with a level 2 license may not have more than 1 passenger under age 21 without an adult | <input type="checkbox"/> |

PARENT – I WILL:

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| Be a good role model when driving – I will always try to be the driver I want my teen to be | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Continue to observe my teen's driving after he/she is able to drive without an adult and to help him/her learn how to be a safe, independent driver | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Apply rules fairly and consistently | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Provide a safe ride home when asked (no questions at that time) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I will obey all traffic laws and encourage my teen to do so, including those that limit teens driving at night with passengers | <input type="checkbox"/> |

REWARD (OR CONSEQUENCES) FOR MEETING (OR FAILING TO MEET) THIS AGREEMENT.

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO FOLLOW THIS AGREEMENT

Teen's Initials: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Initials: _____ Date: _____