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RESOLUTION NUMBER 98-10

TAKE A STAND AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING

Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month 1998

**WHEREAS**, motor vehicle crashes kill over 40,000 people and injure 3 million every year, at a cost to society of some \$150 billion annually; and

**WHEREAS**, alcohol-related crashes account for approximately 40 percent of those deaths and injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, for thousands of families across the nation, the December holidays are a sad time to remember loved ones they lost to an impaired driver during a previous holiday season; and

**WHEREAS**, community-based programs involving consumer education, effective laws, and strong law enforcement have been proven to be successful in reducing impaired driving; and

**WHEREAS**, organizations from every state are joining together for Strengthening Safe Communities this December by supporting anti-impaired driving programs and policies; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rexburg is a partner in that effort to make our roads and streets safer; and

**WHEREAS**, in the State of Idaho in 1997, lost 259 people to fatal accidents and 40% of those fatalities involved alcohol or drugs, a 25% increase from 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, in the State of Idaho in 1997, there were 1,776 fatal or injury accidents involving alcohol or drugs and 29% of those accidents involved youth 19 and under; and

**WHEREAS**, in the City of Rexburg in 1997, there were 26 DUI arrests, 2 Drunk in Public, and 133 Liquor Law Violations; and

**WHEREAS**, in the City of Rexburg in 1998, in an 11 month period, there have been 39 DUI arrests, and 174 Liquor Law Violations. An increase in DUI arrests of 500% on Juveniles and better than 25% increase in DUI's on adults from the 1997 figures.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rexburg is a partner in that effort to make our roads and streets safer, along with the Rexburg Police Department; and

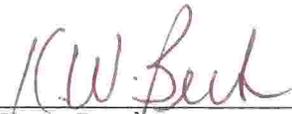
**NOW, THEREFORE**, the mayor of Rexburg and the city council do hereby proclaim December 1998 as Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month in the City of Rexburg and do hereby call upon all citizens, government agencies, business leaders, hospitals, schools, and public private institutions in the City of Rexburg to promote awareness of the impaired driving problem, to support programs and policies to reduce the incidents of impaired driving, to promote safer and healthier behaviors regarding the use of alcohol and other drugs, and to provide opportunities for all to participate in Strengthening Safe Communities this December holiday season.

  
Mayor Bruce Sutherland

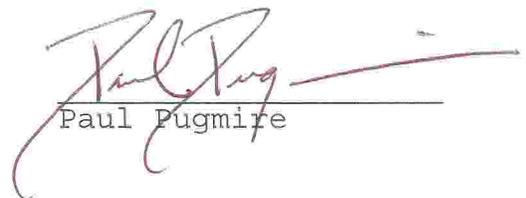
  
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