Office of the Mayor

Commerce City, Colorado

Proclamation



WHEREAS, coinciding with the end of the school year, the summer months of June through August represent increased activity among children in neighborhoods and surrounding streets; and

WHEREAS, auto-pedestrian accidents reached a dangerous level in 2013, and every day, at least one person is injured by a hit-and-run driver; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death for children 2-14 years old; and

WHEREAS, pedestrian fatalities involving children under the age of 14 are greatest during the summer months, with more than 80 percent of accidents occurring at non-intersection locations; and

WHEREAS, children move in unpredictable ways and are the most difficult pedestrians to see, making distracted driving, something that causes more than nine deaths and 1,000 injuries every day, especially dangerous; and

WHEREAS, it is our duty as concerned citizens and parents to ensure we are creating a safe environment for our children, as well as educating all Coloradans to practice safe driving and pedestrian behavior.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE 1T RESOLVED, that I, Sean Ford, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of Commerce City, hereby recognize the "Brake for Bela" summer safe neighborhood driving awareness campaign starting June 1 through August 31, 2014

	In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.
	CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO
ATTEST:	Sean Ford, Mayor
Laura Bauer, CMC, City Clerk	Date: <u>July 7, 2014</u>