

# Tips for Using the NSC Distracted Driving Awareness Month Proclamation Template

1. Ask for help. Identify an individual to sponsor your proclamation (mayor, governor, city council member, etc.). Your local mayor or governor's office can direct you to a potential sponsor. Use the attached draft proclamation from the National Safety Council when approaching state and local officials.
2. Call your local mayor, state legislator or governor's office to determine how proclamations are issued. Contact information can be found on your town or state's website.
3. Determine the approval process: Work with your sponsor to determine a schedule for approving the proclamation.
4. Seek support for your proclamation from other leaders in your city or state. Partner with other local safety organizations.
5. Ask friends, neighbors or co-workers to contact elected officials by writing letters or scheduling visits to encourage support of the proclamation.
6. Follow-up with your sponsor throughout the process to make sure things are on track for your proclamation to be issued.
7. Ask your sponsor to sign the National Safety Council pledge ([nsc.org/pledge](https://nsc.org/pledge)) to drive distraction-free and to participate in any special events that occur in your area during Distracted Driving Awareness Month.