

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF NEW KENT
VIRGINIA**

R-39-11

At the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of New Kent in the Boardroom of the Administration Building in New Kent, Virginia, on the 12th day of September, 2011:

Present:	Vote:
David M. Sparks	Aye
James H. Burrell	Aye
Stran L. Trout	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye

Motion was made by Mr. Trout, which carried 5:0, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
SEPTEMBER 18 – 24, 2011 AS
CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK
AND SEPTEMBER 24, 2011 AS
NATIONAL SEAT CHECK SATURDAY
IN NEW KENT COUNTY**

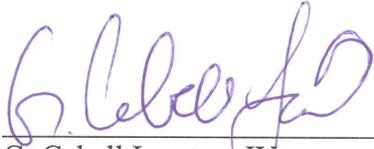
WHEREAS, our children are our future and as parents and caregivers it is our responsibility to keep America's children safe. Every day in 2009, an average of two children age 12 and younger were killed and an average of 340 were injured in motor vehicle traffic crashes as occupants of passenger vehicles. For children ages 1 through 12, it is the leading cause of death. It is hard to overstate the toll this takes on families, but together we can put an end to this tragedy; and

WHEREAS, today, all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico require that children be restrained in motor vehicles. These laws were enacted because of the tremendous safety benefits they provide. Research shows car seats reduce the risk of fatal injury by 71% for children younger than 1 and by 54% for children 1 to 4 years old. We know that car seats help save lives and reduce injuries. We also know they are most effective when installed and used correctly. Sadly, nearly three out of four car seats are not

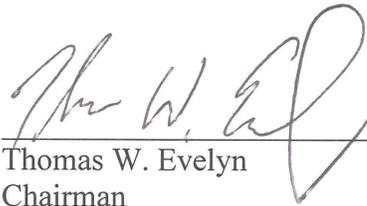
used properly. Starting now, we must work together to prevent these unnecessary deaths and injuries; and

WHEREAS, that is why New Kent County, Virginia, is committed to working closely with our partners and safety advocates to help its residents make the kind of choices that will keep our kids alive and safe. Our goal is to educate parents and caregivers about best practice when traveling with children from birth through age 12. During Child Passenger Safety Week hundreds of free car seat inspection stations will be set up across the country. We encourage all parents and caregivers to take advantage of this service and ensure that their children are getting the very best protection;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the New Kent County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim September 18 - 24, 2011, as “Child Passenger Safety Week” and September 24 as “National Seat Check Saturday” and urges everyone to help reduce injuries and the tragic loss of life by buckling up themselves and their children — every trip, every time.



G. Cabell Lawton, IV
County Administrator



Thomas W. Evelyn
Chairman