THE RALLY FOR ROAD SAFETY
RESPONSE FORM

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____ Yes I will be attending The Rally for Road Safety. My Senator and Representative are:

Senator: ____________________________  Representative: ____________________________

I would also be willing to meet with these Senators and Representatives: ____________

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____ No I cannot attend The Rally for Road Safety but I will help in the ways indicated below:

✓  My municipality will adopt a resolution that will be given to our local newspapers, Senator, and Representative and emailed to the Radar Coalition's webmaster at: areck1255@comcast.net for placement on the website.

✓  I will write a letter to the editor of my local newspaper and urge a change in the public policy that hinders local law enforcement from enforcing the maximum speed limits determined by the legislature to be safe. I understand that 11 reasons are given at http://www.pamayors.org/radarcoalition.html, the Radar Coalition’s website, as to why this public policy must be changed.

Other ____________________________

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RESOLUTION NO. 2016-07

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 535 AND HOUSE BILL 71 ENABLING ALL MUNICIPAL POLICE TO USE THE SAME MOTOR VEHICLE SPEED-TIMING EQUIPMENT AS THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE

Whereas, public protection is a principal reason why municipalities are established and exist; and

Whereas, municipal police and the Pennsylvania State Police are statutorily authorized to protect the public, primarily through the enforcement of the Crimes Code and Motor Vehicle Code; and

Whereas, all of the tools of law enforcement available to the Pennsylvania State Police are also available to municipal police, with one notable exception, that being radar; and

Whereas, Pennsylvania is the only state in the United States of America that gives its municipal police a law enforcement mandate and then prohibits them from using a common and effective piece of speed-timing equipment that the Pennsylvania State Police are permitted to use; and

Whereas, the inability of municipal police to use radar has resulted in uneven enforcement of the maximum speed laws across Pennsylvania, as well as contributed to Pennsylvania’s distinction as the state with the 3rd highest number of speed-related vehicle fatalities and the 19th highest percentage of speed-related vehicle fatalities in the country.

Now therefore be it resolved this 28th day of March 2016, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Hatboro calls upon the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, and specifically, Senator Greenleaf and Representative Thomas Murt to support Senate Bill 535 and House Bill 71 which bills would enable all municipal police to use the same motor vehicle speed-timing equipment as the Pennsylvania State Police.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hatboro this 28th day of March, 2016.

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF HATBORO

BY:  William Tompkins, President
     Norm Hawkes, Mayor

BY:  Alfred Zoller, Secretary