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**ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF TROY
WE CELEBRATE THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF
MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING (MADD)**

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) was founded in 1980 by Candace Lightner following the death of her 13-year-old daughter who was killed by a fourth-offender drunk driver. Today, **MADD** is the nation's largest nonprofit working to protect families against drunk driving, drugged driving and underage drinking. In addition, **MADD** supports drunk and drugged driving victims and survivors through local **MADD** victim advocates and their 24-hour Victim Helpline.

Now, in its 35th year, **MADD** has helped save more than 330,000 lives and counting. Before **MADD** was founded, nearly 25,000 people were killed in alcohol-related crashes, resulting in the cause of 50 percent of all traffic deaths. Since then, they have cut that number in half.

MADD offers services to all victims at no charge. These services can include free brochures and literature related to the aftermath of the crash; emotional support to those impacted by phone, in person or via email; education on the criminal justice process, court proceedings and so much more. In addition, **MADD** has an open support group for victims/survivors that meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Troy Community Center.

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy celebrate the **35th Anniversary of Mothers Against Drunk Driving** and appreciate all of their efforts to support the victims and survivors. **MADD's** location at 625 E. Big Beaver Road in Troy and their valuable support to so many people is yet another reason why our community is such a desirable place for families and businesses. We are so very proud to have in the City of Troy an organization like **MADD** that strives to keep our residents and the entire community safe.

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OFFICES IN THE CITY OF TROY!**