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'Newport Waves' campaign launched to promote traffic safety



NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) - Newport has launched a campaign to promote traffic safety and cut down on crashes involving vehicles, bikes and pedestrians by urging people to wave to each other.

The Newport Daily News reports the centerpiece of the campaign is a short video, called Newport Waves.

The video shows well-known people around town waving at each other as they cross paths.

Heather Abbott, who lost a leg in the Boston Marathon bombing, is shown exchanging waves with a trolley driver.

Senate President Teresa Paiva Weed is seen waving to a motorist as she crosses the street.

The video also features a motorist stopping for a surfer, and bicyclists stopping for a skateboarder.

Two pedestrians were killed in Newport last year after being struck in crosswalks.

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