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Mr. Thomas Feyer

Letters to the Editor
The New York Times
620 Eighth Avenue
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Dear Mr. Feyer,

I am responding to your article “AT&T Chief Speaks Out on Texting at the Wheel” on Sept. 19, 2012. I appreciate the AT&T chairman speaking out against texting and driving.

I agree that texting while driving is a growing issue. I support the phone carriers who are developing campaigns to raise awareness about texting and driving. The DriveMode app that is being developed seems like an excellent idea that will help discourage people from using their phones while driving.

Texting and driving should be illegal in all states. According to AT&T, “Those who send text messages while driving are 23 times more likely to be in a crash.” Almost 100% of teens say that texting and driving is dangerous, but 43% of them have admitted to doing it. Not only are teens and young adults texting and driving, but also adults have admitted to sending or receiving text messages or emails.

Texting while driving should be illegal in all states, and strictly enforcing it, will hopefully reduce the amount of crashes that happen.

Sincerely,

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