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NEWS RELEASE

Buffalo Grove Police Urge Motorists to Drive Sober this Labor Day Holiday

Buffalo Grove, IL. - As Illinoisans gear up to mark the end of summer with Labor Day celebrations throughout the state, the Buffalo Grove Police Department is announcing plans for a traffic safety campaign focusing on drunk, unbuckled, and distracted drivers.

"Our goal is to help ensure our community's residents and visitors make it home safely after the party ends," said Buffalo Grove Police Sergeant Michelle Kondrat. "We'll be out in force to keep impaired drivers off the roads. If you'll be celebrating, we urge you to plan ahead for a sober ride. It could be a matter of life or death."

The Buffalo Grove Police department is partnering with the Illinois State Police and local law enforcement agencies across Illinois for the increased statewide effort. The high-visibility crackdown will run from August 16 through the holiday weekend into the early morning hours of September 3.

Before the fun starts this Labor Day, remember to designate a sober driver and don't let friends or family members drive drunk. Even a small amount of alcohol can impair judgment and reaction times, which makes driving unsafe.

The "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign is funded by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation. The crackdown runs concurrently with a media campaign reminding motorists that impaired driving has life or death consequences. Visit **LifeOrDeathIllinois.com** for more information.