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Franklin Park Police Department Joins Hundreds of Illinois Police Agencies for Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Crackdown *Campaign Will Target Drunk Drivers*

[Franklin Park, IL.] – From August 15 through Labor Day, the Franklin Park Police will be out in force as part of the annual Illinois “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” crackdown on drunk drivers. The statewide crackdown will include high-visibility alcohol and belt enforcement throughout Franklin Park, and will run from August 15 through September 1, 2014.

The effective statewide crackdown will also be supported by national and state paid advertising, creating a comprehensive campaign to curb drunk driving.

Franklin Park officers will be aggressively looking for drunk drivers during the crackdown and will arrest anyone caught driving drunk. In addition, seat belt law violators will be ticketed.

Although 0.08 BAC is the illegal limit in all 50 States, far too many people across the nation get behind the wheel after consuming too much alcohol. The latest statistics underscore the serious nature of the nation’s continuing drunk driving epidemic.

In addition, Franklin Park will be stepping up seat belt law enforcement, especially during the all-too-dangerous late night hours when seat belt use is lowest. Zero tolerance will be shown for seat belt law violators -- in the front and back seat.

“Driving drunk is simply not worth the risk,” stated Commander Robert Wright. “So don’t take the chance. Remember, we will be out in force and we will be watching, so ‘Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over’.”

The law enforcement crackdown is funded by federal traffic safety funds through the Illinois Department of Transportation.