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Morton Grove Police Department begins Labor Day crackdown on drunk drivers and seat belt law violators

Morton Grove, IL – **Morton Grove Police Department** announced its plans for Labor Day traffic enforcement with a focus on drunk and unbuckled drivers. The crackdown will run from August 20^{th} through September 7^{th} to encompass the Labor Day holiday, an all-too-often deadly time on Illinois roads.

The Morton Grove Police Department will join the Illinois State Police and more than 150 local police and sheriff's departments for the increased statewide enforcement effort.

Other important tips include:

- Give your designated driver your keys before you go out.
- If you are drunk or impaired by marijuana or other drugs, call a taxi, take mass transit, use your favorite ride-sharing service, or call a sober friend or family member to get you home safely.
- Promptly report drunk drivers to law enforcement by pulling over and dialing
 911
- Make sure everyone in your vehicle wears their seat belt. It is your best defense against an impaired driver.

The *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* and *Click It or Ticket* campaign is funded by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation's Bureau of Safety Programs & Engineering. The crackdown runs concurrently with a media campaign reminding motorists that impaired driving has "Life or Death" consequences.