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MEDIA RELEASE

Labor Day Traffic Safety Campaign

As families and friends plan their end-of-summer celebrations for Labor Day weekend, the Lake County Sheriff's Office is partnering with the Illinois State Police and law enforcement across the state to stop impaired driving and help save lives.

"If you'll be celebrating, we urge you to plan ahead for a sober ride," said Sheriff John D. Idleburg. "There is no excuse for driving drunk or high and risking lives."

The high-visibility "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" enforcement campaign runs from August 19 through the early-morning hours of September 6, 2022. During this period, law enforcement will be stepping up efforts focused on impaired, unbuckled, and distracted drivers.

Before the party starts, remember to designate a sober driver, and don't let friends or family members drive impaired. Other important tips include:

- If you're hosting, make sure all your guests designate a sober driver in advance, or arrange ride-sharing or another sober ride home. Also, serve lots of food and include non-alcoholic beverages at the party.
- If you do not have a designated driver, ask a sober friend for a ride home, call a cab, or stay where you are and sleep it off until you are sober.
- Don't let friends leave your sight if you think they are about to drive impaired.
- Always buckle up – it is your best defense in a crash.

The Labor Day "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign is made possible by federal highway safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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