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Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over, Drive High – Get a DUI

Lake in the Hills, IL – The Lake in the Hills Police Department announced today they are partnering with the Illinois State Police and law enforcement across the state to step up efforts to stop impaired driving and help save lives as we near the end of summer and the busy Labor Day weekend.

"Our first priority is to keep people safe, so we want to remind everyone, no matter how you plan to celebrate summer's end, make sure you do it safely. Plan ahead for a sober ride home if you'll be drinking or using another impairing substance," said Officer Amanda Schmitt. "Let's make this a partnership between law enforcement and motorists: Help us protect the community and put an end to the dangers of impaired driving."

The high-visibility "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" enforcement campaign runs from Aug. 18 through the earlymorning hours of Sept. 5. During this period, motorists can expect to see more officers on the road and increased messaging about the dangers of impaired driving.

In addition to looking for drunk drivers, the Lake in the Hills Police Department will be stepping up seat belt enforcement, particularly at night when seat belt usage rates are at their lowest. Speeders and distracted drivers should also be aware.

The Labor Day "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" and "Drive High. Get a DUI." enforcement efforts are made possible by federal highway safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

For more information, please contact Officer Schmitt, the Public Information Officer, at 847-658-5676 or by email at communityrelations@lith.org.

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