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### **ILLINOIS STATE POLICE TO CONDUCT SPECIAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PATROLS AS PART OF 'CLICK IT OR TICKET' CAMPAIGN**

**PONTIAC** – Illinois State Police (ISP) Troop 5 Commander, Captain Tim Sweeney, announces the ISP will conduct Special Traffic Enforcement Patrols (STEPS) in Ford, Iroquois, Kankakee, Livingston and McLean counties during May 2026.

These STEPs allow the ISP to focus on the fatal four violations that contribute to the majority of traffic crashes and fatalities: impaired driving, occupant restraint, speeding, and distracted driving.

The ISP will increase our daytime and nighttime patrols to ensure the safety of vehicle travelers through enforcement of all traffic safety laws. Alcohol and drug impairment are estimated to be a factor in more than 47% of all fatal motor vehicle crashes in Illinois. Likewise, speeding is a factor in almost one-third of fatal crashes nationwide, and nearly 50% of vehicle occupants killed in traffic crashes were not buckled up. This project is funded through the Illinois Department of Transportation.

*“Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over”*

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*“Click It or Ticket”*

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