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News Release

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Police participate in "Click It or Ticket" enforcement

The Springfield Police Department is joining statewide law enforcement through June 2 for an aggressive "Click It or Ticket" mobilization to crack down on Missouri's seat belt violations.

Seven out of 10 people killed in Missouri traffic crashes are unbuckled. Even with all the advancements in automobile safety and education on the importance of seat belt use, Missouri's seat belt use has remained relatively unchanged in the last six years and consistently below the national average.

Missouri has 79 percent seat belt use, which is well below the national average of 85 percent. Teens and pick-up truck drivers are among those least likely to buckle up at 66 and 63 percent.

Seat belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes.

Buckle up and arrive alive. For information on Missouri seat belt usage, visit www.saveMOlives.com.

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