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Labor Day Travel Safety Enforcement Summary

Milwaukee, WI – During this past holiday weekend, Milwaukee County Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. ordered increased patrols beginning on Friday August 31 through Tuesday, September 4. The initiative focused on keeping the public safe with speed, OWI and seatbelt enforcement.

The Sheriff's Office enforcement initiative resulted in the following arrests, citations, and calls for service:

- 627 Traffic stops
- 101 Seat belt citations
- 416 Excessive Speed citations
- 84 Unlicensed/Revoked/Suspended Drivers
- 18 Operating While Intoxicated (MCSO/Multi-Jurisdiction) ***All numbers from Multi-jurisdictional agencies not reported**
- 14 Crashes with property damage only
- 2 Crashes with injuries
- 0 Fatal crashes
- 1 OWI-related crashes

Comparisons 2011/2012:

A summary of the patrol citation statistics for 2011 compared to 2012:

	2011	2012
Total citations	767	868
Speed	472	416
OWI	12	18
Seatbelt	46	101

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In conjunction with the Sheriff's Office enforcement efforts, the Southeast Multi-Jurisdictional OWI Task Force conducted an enhanced enforcement deployment targeting drunk drivers. As a result of their combined enforcement effort, **18** drivers were arrested for *Operating While Intoxicated*. (Note: not all agencies have reported totals).

Additional Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force Statistics:

- The first OWI arrest occurred at 2113 on August 31
- The last OWI arrest took place at 0118 on September 4
- The average prohibited alcohol level was 0.14
- The highest prohibited alcohol level was 0.25
- A total of 4 drunk drivers had prior convictions
 - 3 drunk drivers had 1 prior conviction
 - 1 drunk driver had 4 prior convictions

The following agencies participated in the Multi-Jurisdictional OWI Task Force:

- o Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office
- o Milwaukee Police Department
- o Franklin Police Department
- o South Milwaukee Police Department
- o Wauwatosa Police Department
- o West Allis Police Department
- o City of Brookfield Police Department
- o Wisconsin State Patrol

Since the creation of the Southeast Multi-Jurisdictional OWI Task Force (April 2009), a total of 1,703 impaired drivers were removed from the Milwaukee County freeway system and adjacent roadways during the enforcement initiatives.

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