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SUFFOLK POLICE REMIND CITIZENS TO “CLICK IT OR TICKET”

SUFFOLK, VA (May 24, 2021) The Suffolk Police Department would like to make our citizens aware of the national seat belt campaign known as “Click It or Ticket” that began on May 17th and runs through June 6, 2021, with the goal of reducing traffic deaths and serious injuries.

During this high visibility enforcement period, and as we head out around the Memorial Day holiday and the busy summer travel season, you’ll likely see more law enforcement on the roads to remind drivers and their passengers of the importance of buckling up and the legal consequences – including fines – for not wearing a seat belt.

No matter what type of vehicle you drive, one of the safest choices drivers and passengers can make is to always buckle up – the right way. Always place the shoulder belt across the middle of your chest and away from your neck, and place the lap belt across your hips, not your stomach. You should never put the shoulder belt behind your back or under your arm.

“Buckling up saves lives,” said Interim Chief Alfred Chandler. “During the *Click It or Ticket* campaign, we’ll be working to ensure the message gets out to drivers and

passengers. Buckling up is the simplest thing to do to limit injury or save a life during a crash.”

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