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DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER CAMPAIGN

Sheriff Greg Champagne is joining other local law enforcement agencies in participating in the statewide ***Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over*** campaign. Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over is a high-visibility national enforcement campaign that begins on Friday, December 13th and ends Wednesday, January 1st, 2020. It is funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, through the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission.

During the 2018 Christmas holiday in Louisiana, 16 people were killed in highway crashes, and 12 of those fatalities were alcohol-related, according to the Center for Analytics and Research in Transportation (CARTS) at LSU. Another 84 people were injured in alcohol-related crashes in Louisiana during the same holiday period, according to CARTS. On the national level, NHTSA reported that 285 people were killed in drunk-driving related crashes during the Christmas and New Year's holidays in 2018.

During this time, the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office will have increased officers on the road, aimed to reduce drunk driving.

"By joining this nationwide effort, we hope to make the streets of St. Charles Parish safer for everyone", said Sheriff Champagne.

