

## **NEWS RELEASE** | FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE | February 26, 2025

## *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* Enforcement Campaign Kicks-off March 1.

Dickinson, N.D. – In 2023 in North Dakota, 36% of fatal traffic crashes were alcoholrelated. Through the month of March, law enforcement across the state will have extra patrols to remove impaired drivers from the road during *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.* 

Alcohol-related crashes in North Dakota occur about every 13 hours, but each of these crashes are 100% preventable by driving sober or finding a sober ride.

"When you're under the influence, there's always a better way home than behind the wheel. The *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* campaign is an important reminder of that," said Stark County Sheriff Corey Lee. "Choose to drive sober or use a ride-hailing service to get home safely. It's always the responsible choice."

This campaign is part of the <u>Vision Zero</u> strategy to eliminate motor vehicle crash fatalities and serious injuries on North Dakota roads.

Visit the <u>North Dakota Crash Memorial Wall</u> to view memorials built on the hope of preventing another death on North Dakota roads.

###

## CONTACT:

Lauren Wahlman, Safety Public Information Program Manager North Dakota Department of Transportation <u>wahlman@nd.gov</u> | 701-328-2598 Law enforcement contact information provided upon request