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METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**Metropolitan Police Department to Participate in MoDOT
Enforcement**

No warnings – drivers will be ticketed

The Metropolitan Police Department, City of St. Louis (“the department”) is joining other agencies across the state on Friday, April 15 to crack down on drivers who are not wearing seat belts. The enforcement is part of MoDOT’s Click it or Ticket campaign to make roads and highways safer for all Missourians.

Nearly one in four Missouri motorists fail to regularly wear their seat belt, a statistic that falls below the national average. Failure to wear a seatbelt can have deadly consequences for drivers involved in vehicle accidents. In Missouri, 7 out of 10 people killed in traffic crashes were not wearing seatbelts during the accidents.

“We are always committed to enforcing seatbelt laws but drivers should be aware that there will be no warnings during this crackdown,” said Chief of Police Dan Isom. “Anyone not wearing their seat belts on April 15 will be ticketed.”

For more information on Missouri seat belt usage visit www.saveMOlives.com .

Who: Metropolitan Police Department
What: Seatbelt and Driver Enforcement
When: April 15, 2011
Where: City of St. Louis

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