



130 West North Street, Lima, Ohio 45801

419-228-1836 (voice) 419-228-3891 (fax)

Media Advisory

Contact:

Evelyn Smith - 419-228-1836

Chief Deputy Brian Winegardner – ACSO - 419-227-3535

Major Patrick Coon – LPD - 419-227-4444

Lt. David Brown – OSHP - 419-228-7072

Event: Click it or Ticket! Campaign Kick-off

Date: Friday, May 19, 2017 - 11:15 a.m.

Location: 4 Wheel Jamboree – Allen County Fairgrounds
(Please enter through Gate 5 – from State Route 117 onto the Allen County Fairgrounds)

Lima, Ohio (May 16, 2017): To raise public awareness about the importance of seat belt use, the Allen County chiefs of police, including Allen County Sheriff Matt Treglia, Chief Kevin Martin - Lima Police Department, and Lt. David Brown - Ohio State Highway Patrol will be joining together with other traffic safety advocates including drivers, promoters, friends, and fans of the Monster Truck Racing Association.

On Friday, May 19, 2017, at 11:15 a.m., a Click It Or Ticket Campaign kickoff event will be held at the 4 Wheel Jamboree – Monster Truck Races on the Allen County Fairgrounds to raise public awareness about the importance of wearing a seat belt – every time, every trip – day or night. In addition to the public awareness campaign, law enforcement agencies across the county, state, and nation will be conducting selective overtime enforcement.

Even though non-compliance with Ohio's seat belt law is a secondary offense, **law enforcement officers across Ohio will take the opportunity, from May 15 through 26, to participate in the "Click It or Ticket" National Mobilization Campaign.** During the campaign period, law enforcement officers will adopt a zero tolerance policy regarding those who choose not to buckle up, including Ohio's child passenger laws. "Too many people still take the attitude that it will never happen to them. But fatal crashes can and do happen every day," according to Allen County Sheriff Matt Treglia. "That's why local law enforcement officers are buckling down to make sure all passengers, in all vehicles, buckle up – day and night."



#