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FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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NEWS RELEASE

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This 4th of July Celebrate Your Freedom **Without Losing Yours**



The 4th of July is a time to celebrate our great nation and the many freedoms we enjoy. But, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office warns that if you decide to drink and drive you will lose your freedom and be taken to the Green Roof Inn.

Patrol squads will have increased countywide presence and DUI enforcement from Friday, June 29th through Wednesday, July 4th in Palm Coast, Bunnell, and Flagler Beach with motorcycle, bike, and patrol units. Marine units will also be patrolling intra-coastal waterways and local canals in a joint effort

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with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's "Operation Dry Water" to promote boater safety and deter Boating under the Influence (BUI). Keep an eye out for 'Uncle Sam' he will be conducting a special traffic detail targeting speeders and those exhibiting aggressive driving behaviors as well.

The FCSO's Sheriff-Taxi will be seen around town reminding everyone that if you're celebrating with alcohol this weekend, plan ahead for a safe ride home. Calling a friend, a taxi, or an Uber will be a lot cheaper than taking a ride from a Sheriff's Deputy to the Green Roof Inn. If you are arrested for DUI the taxi light will be "on" while you are in the back seat riding to jail.

"This year we want the public to celebrate their freedom without losing theirs due to driving or boating under the influence," Sheriff Staly said. "We want to remind everyone that our FCSO Marine Unit is full-time and fully equipped to patrol all waterways and our traffic unit will be diligently monitoring the roadways. So plan for a ride home if you plan on drinking alcohol because we will pull you over and you will go to jail. We are looking forward to celebrating 4th of July with the community and we are here to make sure everyone celebrates safely."

Remember: celebrate your freedom without losing yours! Drive sober or get pulled over!

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