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DATE: APRIL 22, 2005
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**SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WICHITA POLICE DEPARTMENT
WILL CONDUCT A SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT**

THE SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS COMMITTED TO REDUCING THE NUMBER OF TRAFFIC INCIDENTS IN SEDGWICK COUNTY. IMPAIRED DRIVING CRASHES ARE ONE OF SEDGWICK COUNTY'S LEADING TRAFFIC SAFETY PROBLEMS.

THE SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WICHITA POLICE DEPARTMENT WILL CONDUCT A SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT ON APRIL 23, 2005, IN THE AREA OF 8100 WEST CENTRAL, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2400 HOURS AND 0300 HOURS. BOTH EAST AND WESTBOUND LANES WILL BE CHECKED. THIS CHECKPOINT IS DESIGNED TO IDENTIFY INTOXICATED DRIVERS. THOSE MOTORISTS SUSPECTED OF INTOXICATION WILL BE GIVEN ON-SITE FIELD SOBRIETY TESTS. EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO LIMIT THE INTERRUPTION OF TRAFFIC FLOW, BUT MANY DRIVERS WILL BE STOPPED AS PART OF THIS PROGRAM.

MEDIA IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND EVERYONE TO DRIVE SAFELY AND NOT DRINK AND DRIVE.

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