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Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

Sheriff Greg Champagne is joining other local law enforcement agencies in participating in the statewide **Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over** campaign which will run during the Mardi Gras season from February 2 through February 13, 2024. The campaign is coordinated and funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission (LHSC).

Drinking and driving in Louisiana remains a major cause of vehicle crashes, serious injuries, and fatalities. According to the NHTSA, approximately one-third of fatalities in motor vehicle traffic crashes in the United States involve drunk drivers with BACs at or above .08. In 2021, there were 13,384 people killed in drunk-driving crashes.

"By joining this statewide effort, we hope to make the streets of St. Charles Parish safer for everyone", said Sheriff Champagne. The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office will have increased officers on the road, aimed to reduce drunk driving.

Plan ahead as you head out to Mardi Gras festivities - If you plan on drinking, plan on not driving.

