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## KPD urges motorists to drive safely

LĪHU'E – As the community prepares to celebrate this year's graduates and the beginning of summer break, the Kaua'i Police Department encourages motorists to drive safely and urges parents and the community to help prevent underage drinking and unsafe driving.

"The Kaua'i Police Department is proud of all our graduating seniors, and while this is a time for celebration, we should always remember that safety should always come first," said Deputy Chief Stan Olsen. "Parents, please explain the dangers of drinking and driving to your children. One conversation could save their life and the lives of others."

In an effort to prevent unsafe driving before it occurs, the Kaua'i Police Department will be increasing enforcement efforts across the island. Police will be checking for those driving under the influence of intoxicants, driving while distracted on a cell phone, not using proper seat belt restraints, and other traffic violations.

"It is our goal at KPD that everyone makes it home safely," added Deputy Chief Olsen. "This is a big accomplishment for so many of our students. Let's make sure we all celebrate responsibly."