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Plainfield Police to Participate in International Level Crossing Awareness Day Enforcement Campaign On June 9th

Plainfield IL – In conjunction with the CN Railroad Police and the Union Pacific Railroad Police, the Plainfield Police Department will participate in the International Level Crossing Awareness Day (ILCAD) by conducting enforcement details at railroad grade crossings within the Village of Plainfield on June 9th, 2011.

The purpose of this campaign is because, when compared to other railroad statistics, too many people die or are injured in accidents at level crossings. These however are in the majority of cases due to misuse by motorists and pedestrians with the popular misconception is that these fatal accidents are a railway problem. Research on this issue shows that the only really effective way to decrease the number of accidents, short of closing all level crossings, is education and enforcement to highlight the risks in order to make people aware of the potential consequences if they do not follow the simple rules of the road when around railroad grade crossings.

Running under the motto "Act safely at level crossings" the railway community, in conjunction with a number of road sector organizations and in conjunction with the European Commission and the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), has established the ILCAD campaign to raise awareness among road users and pedestrians of the risks at level crossings and to change their behavior. More than 40 countries around the world plan to participate in the ILCAD campaign.

For more information on the campaign, please visit the dedicated website: <http://www.ilcad.org>

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