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Railroad Grade Crossing Enforcement Planned

Plainfield IL – In conjunction with the CN Railroad Police, Union Pacific Railroad Police, and the BNSF Railroad Police, the Plainfield Police Department will be conducting enforcement details at railroad crossings within the Village of Plainfield during the week of September 26th.

The focus of the enforcement details will involve citing drivers that disobey activated railroad signals, stop their vehicle within the highway rail-grade crossing, and the citing of drivers of certain vehicles who fail to stop as required at railroad crossings, such as school buses and placarded vehicles. In addition, pedestrian trespassing on railroad right of way will also be enforced.

Please remember, not only is it against the law to stop your vehicle on the railroad tracks, it is against the law to stop your vehicle anywhere within the highway-rail grade crossing. Highway-rail grade crossings are typically marked by white stop lines located on the pavement in advance of the crossing, and if not marked by white stop lines, the highway-rail grade crossing extends from protective gate arm to protective gate arm.

Upon conviction, anyone cited for stopping within a highway rail-grade crossing driving a passenger vehicle will have their driver's license suspended for 30 days for the first offense, and three months for the second offense. Anyone driving a vehicle required to stop at all times at railroad crossings will have their commercial driver's license disqualified for 3 months.

All violations of the Illinois Vehicle Code mentioned above bring with them a mandatory court appearance with fines and court costs up to \$750.00.

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