



By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an
Official Statement

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut is promoting Crash Responder Safety Week (CRSW) – formerly known as National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week; and

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut supports efforts to raise awareness of responder safety and reduce the number of responder fatalities – and to recognize all traffic incident management (TIM) response communities; and

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut recognizes the importance of all emergency responders called to duty – at all hours of the day and night, in adverse weather conditions, and in dangerous roadside environments – to provide a critical public service; and

*W*HEREAS, these on-scene personnel conduct valuable and often life-saving operations at the scene of traffic incidents, and risk their lives in Connecticut to assist those in need. Too many are struck on scene. Too many die; and

*W*HEREAS, while all 50 states have “Slow Down, Move Over” laws, recent surveys show that currently fewer than 30 percent of Americans know these laws, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; and

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut asks all road users to remember to do their part to keep all the men and women who are responding to incidents on our highways safe – by slowing down, moving over, and driving safe; and

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut reminds drivers the Move It law requires motorists involved in a traffic incident, to safely move their cars out of the roadway if the vehicles are drivable and there are no injuries; now

*T*HEREFORE, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim the week of November 8th – 14th, 2021 as

CRASH RESPONDER SAFETY WEEK

in the State of Connecticut.



Ned Lamont

GOVERNOR