

By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an
Official Statement

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut is promoting Crash Responder Safety Week (CRSW); and

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

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut recognizes the efforts of all responders called to duty assisting road users in need – at all hours of the day and night, in adverse weather conditions, and in dangerous roadside environments; and

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut acknowledges responders provide a critical public service to quickly and safely clear crashes, assist disabled vehicles, remove roadway debris, and manage other incidents; and

*W*HEREAS, crash responders conduct valuable and often lifesaving operations and are trained to employ well-rehearsed procedures to detect, respond to, and clear incidents to keep motorists safe; and

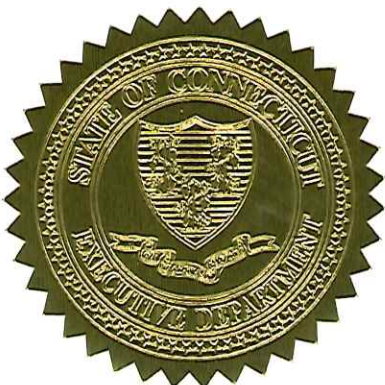
*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut's "Move Over" law requires any operator of a motor vehicle to reduce speed and move over, if possible, when approaching a vehicle with activated flashing lights – including law enforcement, fire, emergency services, towing and recovery, highway maintenance, and other emergency response vehicles; and

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut asks all road users to remember to do their part – it is a shared responsibility to keep our roadways safe; too many responders are struck on scene, and too many responders die or can no longer do their duty. Slow Down, Move Over, and Stay Alert; now

*T*HEREFORE, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim the week of November 14th – 18th, 2022, to be

CRASH RESPONDER SAFETY WEEK

in the State of Connecticut.



Ned Lamont

GOVERNOR