

# Kentucky Sheriffs' Association

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## **KENTUCKY SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS INCREASED IMPAIRED DRIVING ENFORCEMENT**

### **Resolution 14-002**

**WHEREAS**, the maintenance and enhancement of public safety are the highest priorities of the U.S. Department of Transportation and law enforcement agencies internationally;

**WHEREAS**, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), over 17,000 people were killed in 2006 in crashes involving alcohol, a substantial number of which had illegal BAC levels of .08 or above;

**WHEREAS**, increasing numbers of law enforcement officers are killed or injured yearly as a result of alcohol-related traffic crashes;

**WHEREAS**, research indicates that the effect of drugs, alone or in combination with alcohol, contribute significantly to the number of fatal and injury crashes;

**WHEREAS**, research has shown that strong laws - combined with sustained high visibility enforcement, including the use of Standardized Field Sobriety Testing, Drug Recognition Experts, and sobriety checkpoints - where permitted by law and departmental policy - not only reduce impaired driving but also reduce the incidence of other crimes;

**WHEREAS**, the Kentucky Sheriffs' Association (KSA) supports the use of technologies to prevent impaired drivers from operating vehicles, including the use of alcohol ignition interlocks, transdermal alcohol recognition systems, infra-red alcohol detection devices and other technologies;

**WHEREAS**, the KSA recognizes both Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and NHTSA in their continued efforts to eradicate impaired driving;

**WHEREAS**, members of the KSA and other law enforcement leaders have publicly committed to MADD's "Campaign to Eliminate Drunk Driving."

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Kentucky Sheriffs' Association encourages its members to sign MADD's "Pledge to Eliminate Drunk Driving" and to support MADD's "Campaign to Eliminate Drunk Driving," which advocates the following:

- Full support for high-visibility law enforcement
- Maximum implementation of alcohol ignition interlock technologies
- Advanced technology research initiatives
- Mobilization of grassroots efforts

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Kentucky Sheriffs' Association eagerly supports the use of the International Association of Chiefs of Police Highway Safety Committee's Impaired Driving Guidebook: Three Keys to Renewed Focus and Success and NHTSA's Saturation Patrols & Sobriety Checkpoints Guide and Low-Staffing Sobriety Checkpoints as resource tools to eliminate impaired driving.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE KENTUCKY SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION**  
that: **PRESIDENT RODNEY COFFEY, SHERIFF OF MENIFEE COUNTY KENTUCKY**

- (1) THAT THE KENTUCKY SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION IS STRONGLY SUPPORTS INCREASED IMPAIRED DRIVING ENFORCEMENT**
- (2) THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE.**

**THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF**  
**The KENTUCKY SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION ON THE 27 DAY OF AUGUST 2014, A.D.**

