



MEDIA RELEASE

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Promoting Safety on our Roadways

(Alberta, July 18, 2019) – Following a resolution from the Town of High Prairie to allow Community Peace Officers to stop unsafe drivers on primary highways, the Alberta Association of Community Peace Officers (AACPO) is formally announcing its support of this motion.

“Public safety should not be limited by political or municipal boundaries. We are calling on the Government of Alberta to permit authorized employers who provide traffic safety in their communities the ability to be part of this common-sense approach to public safety,” said AACPO president Terri Miller. “Expanding the mandate of Community Peace Officers will lead to increased safety for all highway users, wherever they are driving.”

BACKGROUND (Primary Highways Business Study)

Municipal Support

The Town of High Prairie has recently passed a resolution in Council to lobby for increased Traffic Safety within their municipality by allowing Community Peace Officers the ability to stop unsafe vehicles, regardless of highway designation.

<https://southpeacenews.com/peace-officers-lobby-for-more-power/>

Promoting Public Safety

The AACPO has been working with Authorized Employers of Community Peace Officers to lobby the government for change. Over thirty different municipalities with a deep concern for the safety of their residents have supported this ability for their officers, but to date, the Province has not ruled on this policy change.

Please contact the AACPO if you have any questions regarding this release.

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