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McGruff Celebrates 25 Years of Crime Prevention

(HONOLULU) Hawaii is proud to participate in the nationwide celebration of McGruff's 25th Anniversary in Crime Prevention. During 2005, McGruff the Crime Dog will be celebrating his 25th Anniversary throughout the nation. In Hawaii, there will be special celebrations on the islands of Hawaii, Maui, and Oahu.

"We are happy to be part of this nationwide celebration," Attorney General Mark Bennett said. "McGruff the Crime Dog has been part of Hawaii's efforts to prevent crime and keep children safe for the past 19 years. We value the partnerships that we have formed with the private and public sectors to bring McGruff's messages to the community. Their support makes the McGruff Crime Prevention Campaign a success."

Please bring the whole family to join us in celebrating McGruff's 25th Anniversary in Crime Prevention at these events:

Maui: September 10, 2005, "MECO in Our Community," at the Queen Kaahumanu Shopping Center from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. There will be energy exhibits and activities for the entire family, along with a visit by McGruff the Crime Dog.

Oahu: October 1, 2005, "McGruff's 25th Anniversary Celebration," Ala Moana Shopping Center, Centerstage from 12:00 to 2:30 pm. There will be entertainment, an appearance by McGruff, crime prevention brochures, cake, and balloons.

Hawaii: October 15, 2005, "HELCO in Our Community," at the Prince Kuhio Plaza from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Visit with McGruff the Crime Dog from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. There will be energy exhibits, fun, hands-on activities, and entertainment.

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