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Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office Conducts Saturation Patrol With Multiple Agencies

(CHARLOTTE, NC) – Over the weekend the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) collaborated with several law enforcement agencies, including the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department, Huntersville Police Department, Davidson Police Department, and the North Carolina Highway Patrol to conduct traffic enforcement. This saturation patrol took place along I-485 from University Blvd. (Exit 33) to Steele Creek (Exit 4) inner and outer. Starting Friday, September 1, 2023, this two-day initiative resulted in significant outcomes:

- **346 Speeding Tickets Issued**
- **66 Move Over Law Violations**
- **4 Arrests**
- **18 Reckless/Aggressive Driving Citations**

The decision to undertake this joint operation was due to concerning statistics compiled by the North Carolina Department of Public Safety. From May 1, 2020, through May 1, 2023, a total of 60 vehicle accidents resulting in serious injury or death occurred within the stretch of I-485 between the exits of University Blvd. and Steele Creek. Recognizing the importance of addressing this issue head-on, MCSO thought it was vital to join our law enforcement partners to conduct traffic enforcement efforts.

Sheriff McFadden, along with all participating agencies, remains committed to ensuring the safety of our community members on our roadways. This collaborative effort shows our dedication to preventing accidents, promoting responsible driving, and safeguarding the lives of all who travel through the I-485 corridor.

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