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Croton Police Department to Participate in Operation Safe Stop

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CROTON-ON-HUDSON, N.Y. – The Croton-on-Hudson Police Department will be participating in Operation Safe Stop Education and Enforcement Day on Thursday, May 2, 2019. Operation Safe Stop seeks to promote school bus safety through education and enforcement efforts.

Operation Safe Stop is a cooperative project supported by the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, the New York State Education Department, the New York Association for Pupil Transportation, the New York State School Bus Contractors Association, the student transportation industry and state, county, city, and local law enforcement agencies.

It is estimated that 50,000 motor vehicles illegally pass New York State school buses every day. The law states that drivers must stop whether you are approaching the school bus from the front or overtaking it from the rear. Drivers must also always stop for flashing red lights, even on divided and multilane highways and on school grounds. The first conviction for passing a stopped school bus is a minimum fine of \$250, 5 points on your license and/or up to 30 days imprisonment.

All Croton-on-Hudson motorists are reminded that yellow lights mean the bus is going to stop – slow down! Red lights mean students are getting on or off the bus – time to stop! The goal of Operation Safe Stop is to proactively educate motorists about the dangers of passing stopped school buses.