



WHEREAS, Section 625 ILCS 5/11907 of the Illinois Code of Laws prohibits the endangerment of workers where highway construction, maintenance, utility work, accident response, or other incident response is being performed and requires drivers of vehicles to slow down and move over when encountering authorized emergency vehicles, including recovery, highway maintenance, solid waste, or utility service vehicles, as well as stationary motor vehicles that are located on the shoulder, emergency lane, or median; and,

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers, firefighters, public service utility workers, emergency medical personnel, highway crews, and tow operators conduct valuable and often life-saving operations on the roadside; and,

WHEREAS, workspace is often limited within the highway right of way, placing workers and motorists dangerously close to passing vehicles, putting them at risk of serious injury or death; and,

WHEREAS, the towing industry is 15 times deadlier than all other private industries combined, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need for the public to be educated on the dangers of failing to abide by these laws and how to practice safe driving behavior by moving over for all disabled vehicles regardless of type or the lights they display; and,

WHEREAS, the third Saturday in October is recognized as national "Slow Down, Move Over Day;"

*THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 15, 2022 as **Slow Down, Move Over Day** in Illinois.*

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this SIXTEENTH day of SEPTEMBER, in
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
TWENTY-TWO, and of the State of Illinois,
two hundred and FOURTH.

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SECRETARY OF STATE

JB Pritzker
GOVERNOR