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ROADSIDE DUI MEMORIAL MARKER TRIBUTE TO VICTIMS

Schaumburg, IL, September 18, 2018 – A roadside marker bearing the name Nicholas Kilpatrick will remind people of the tragedies caused by impaired drivers. Nicholas was 17 years old and riding a skateboard when he was struck and killed by a drunk driver on September 9, 2014.

Carrie Kilpatrick, Nicholas's mother, has waited a long time for this memorial marker. "The pain and grief of losing a child will never go away; this marker gives some comfort knowing that Nicholas' memory will live on and bring awareness to the pain that comes from this senseless crime."

Roadside DUI Memorial Markers have appeared on state highways since August 2007, when HB 1900 was signed into law, creating the roadside memorial. This law was the result of legislation championed by the Cook County Circuit Court Clerk Dorothy Brown's Tina Ball Memorial DUI Task Force, along with the Legislative Committee of AAIM. The Tina Ball DUI Task Force, a group, formed after construction worker Tina Ball was struck and killed in a work zone on Interstate 57 by a drunk driver in September 2003.

For many years, AAIM has been working with local agencies to install signs where a fatality occurred as the result of an impaired driver. Family and friends of crash victims often erect temporary makeshift memorials which are often removed because they can become a distraction to other drivers.

Thanks to the Village of Hampshire and Mike Reid, Village Trustee, this sign will be erected on Wednesday, September 19, 2018, at 4:30 pm. Parking for the memorial will be on State Street right before Allen Road and Veteran's Park, in Hampshire. AAIM is pleased that the village supported this program and worked hard to make it come to fruition.

This program acknowledges the victims in a dignified manner. The uniform, easily-recognized signs also create awareness of the dangers of alcohol and drug-impaired driving and will help prevent these tragedies.

For more information and directions to the memorial, please call the AAIM office.