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FROM/DE: Caledon Detachment **DATE:** June 15, 2022

FOUR DRIVERS WERE CHARGED WITH IMPAIRED DRIVING LAST WEEKEND

(CALEDON, ON) – Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged four drivers with impaired operation over this past weekend.

The first incident occurred on June 11, 2022, at approximately 4:17 a.m., when an officer conducted a traffic stop on Innis Lake Road near Old Church Road. Grounds were formed that the driver's abilities were impaired and subsequently made an arrest for impaired operation. The driver was then transported to the Caledon OPP Detachment where breath tests were conducted.

As a result of the investigation, Stephen JAMES, 37, of Brampton was charged with:

- Operation while impaired alcohol
- Operation while impaired blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)

Shortly thereafter, at approximately 4:41 a.m., Caledon OPP was alerted of a driver sleeping in a vehicle on Highway 50 near Hopcroft Road. Officers attended and formed grounds to arrest the driver for impaired operation. The driver was then transported to the Caledon OPP Detachment where breath tests were conducted.

As a result, Michael RAYKHA, 32, from Michigan, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired alcohol
- Operation while impaired blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)

At approximately 11:58 p.m., the third incident of June 11, 2022, occurred when a vehicle was stopped for speeding on Highway 10 near Charleston Side Road. During the interaction, the officer suspected the driver's abilities to be impaired. The driver was asked to provide a breath sample into an Approved Screen Device. As a result, the driver was arrested for impaired operation and transported to the Caledon OPP Detachment where further breath tests were conducted.

Christa CROMWELL, 39, of Brampton, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Speeding

On June 12, 2022, at approximately 8:35 p.m., officers responded to a vehicle into the ditch on Mississauga Road near King Road. Grounds were formed that the driver's abilities were impaired and subsequently made an arrest for impaired operation. The



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driver was then transported to the Caledon OPP Detachment where breath tests were conducted.

Balaji RAVI, 48, of Mississauga, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired alcohol
- Operation while impaired blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)

The four above accused are scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on August 25, 2022, to answer to the charges. Their driver's licences were suspended for a period of 90 days and vehicles were impounded for seven days.

If you plan on drinking or consuming drugs, plan to not drive. Instead, arrange for a designated driver, take a taxi or public transit, or come up with another plan that takes impaired driving out of the picture.

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SEAT BELTS

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Wear your seat belt.





SPEEDING

No one wants to share the road with a speeding driver. Still want to speed? Take up video gaming and do it from home.

DISTRACTED DRIVING

Texting while driving is just plain dumb and downright dangerous.

If you're texting behind the wheel, who's driving?





IMPAIRED DRIVING <

Thinking of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs?
Let someone sober do the thinking and driving for you.





SAFER ROADS ARE IN YOUR HANDS.