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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE ANNOUNCES RESULTS OF CRIME SUPPRESSION DETAIL HONORING TROOPER BRIAN FRANK

CHICAGO – The northern Illinois State Police (ISP) Special Operations Group (SOG) conducted an interdiction and crime suppression detail in northern Illinois on November 17-25, 2025 in honor of Trooper Brian Frank, who served as a member of ISP's Highway Interdiction Team (HIT) before being severely injured in a crash in 2021. The successful operation utilized multi-agency intelligence and technology in a unified effort to combat interstate gun and drug trafficking.

On February 15, 2021, Trooper Frank was parked behind a crash on I-55 northbound near US-30 in Will County with his emergency lights activated when another vehicle failed to move over and struck his squad car while he was inside. Trooper Frank suffered serious injuries requiring extended hospitalizations and was unable to return to duty due to the extent of his injuries. This crime suppression detail was conducted in honor of his dedication to keeping Illinois roadways safe from guns and drug trafficking.

Detail Results	
Arrests	17
Felony Charges	31
Criminal Charges	38
Firearm Related Charges	9
Firearms Seized	4
Cannabis Seized (pounds)	154
Stolen Vehicles Recovered	5
Motor Carrier Safety Inspections	116

There were several notable events and arrests during the detail:

On November 21, Troopers on I-94 near 87th Street located a vehicle reported stolen and attempted a traffic stop, but the vehicle fled. The driver of the vehicle eventually stopped, and the occupants attempted to flee on foot, but Troopers successfully took them into custody. The Cook County State's Attorney's Office approved charges related to the stolen vehicle and resisting arrest.

On November 22, a Trooper patrolling on I-94 near 75th Street conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for an Illinois Vehicle Code violation. Troopers recovered a weapon and took the driver into custody for Aggravated Unlawful Possession of a Weapon and No Valid FOID, as well as Illegal Transportation of Alcohol.

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On November 24, a Trooper patrolling in Will County stopped a commercial motor vehicle to conduct a Motor Carrier Safety Inspection. A subsequent search of the vehicle revealed more than 150 pounds of cannabis. Troopers took one person into custody for cannabis trafficking.

ISP SOG Officers from Statewide Anti-Violence Enforcement (SAVE) North, HIT, and Fatal 4 teams led this multi-day operation, with assistance from ISP patrol Troops 1, 2, 3, and 5, Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 1, Air Operations, Quad City Metropolitan Enforcement Group, and the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois.

ISP will continue to use all available resources, including air operations, technology, forensic services, increased patrols, and information sharing to combat violent crime and trafficking.

All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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