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**** Media Advisory ****

WPD, Public Works Team Up To Protect Shoppers

Wichita Police and the City of Wichita Public Works departments are partnering together to help protect shoppers over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, it was announced today by Captain Darrell Haynes, commander of the Property Crimes Bureau.

“WPD and Public Works will be placing portable traffic message signs, often seen in construction zones, near east and west Wichita shopping areas warning shoppers to ‘Take Your Keys, Lock Your Vehicle, Secure Your Valuables’,” said Haynes. “This is a busy time of year for thieves, and by giving shoppers a heads-up we hope to prevent vehicular break-ins in high-volume shopping areas.”

The flashing message boards will be in place from 5:00 a.m. through 10:00 p.m. on Friday, November 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 24, and from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 25. The signs will be located on Rock Road in east Wichita, and on Maple in west Wichita.