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## HALLOWEEN SAFETY REMINDER

**Oct. 24, 2016**—The Beloit Police Department, along with the City of Beloit, would like to take this time to remind everyone to have a safe Halloween by following the City's guidelines for trick-or-treating.

The men and women of the department will do their best to keep the Beloit streets safe on Monday, October 31, 2016, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM when the City's official Halloween trick-or-treating hours will be observed.

"I wish everyone an enjoyable Halloween," says Police Chief David B. Zibolski. "Please keep a look out for your children when you are out trick-or-treating with them."

The following precautions are recommended:

- Wear light colored clothing, short enough to prevent tripping, and add reflectors.
- Make sure costumes are flame retardant.
- Make sure children can see well through face masks or head coverings.
- Accompany your children and go only to homes with outside lights on.
- Carry a flashlight.
- Stay within the neighborhood and only visit homes where you know the residents.
- Only give or accept wrapped or packaged candy and treats.
- Watch for traffic.
- Examine candy before allowing children to eat it.

If you see a person on the street dressed as a Beloit police officer, it's not a costume. We will be on the streets and in our neighborhoods to do what we can to ensure a safe Halloween.