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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Summer Safety Initiative

1. Memorial Day marks the start of 101 days of summer. The nationwide easing of COVID-19 restrictions and children out of school is a beautiful time for travel, celebration, and renewal.

2. June is also the official month for Safety. With the warmer weather comes increased risk. The week leading up to Memorial Day weekend is a good time for leaders to engage with Soldiers to ensure they recognize hazards and are familiar with ways to mitigate the risks associated with certain activities.

a. According to the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center, we lose more Soldiers in motor vehicle accidents than all other accident categories combined. Implementing Risk Management into everything we do, including proper planning of the travel route, checking the weather forecast, ending distracted driving, and incorporating rest stops along the way, will go a long way to keeping you and your family safe.

b. Celebrations often lead to increased alcohol consumption. Even in small quantities, alcohol impairs our decision-making and is often a significant factor in many mishaps. Plan before you go out; agree on a designated driver, stay the night, or call for a ride. Don't leave your life and your career to chance. See the enclosed summer safety initiative toolbox for additional resources.

3. You are the greatest assets to our Army and the Nation. Enjoy your cookouts and fireworks, and explore everything that makes this country great. Also, be safe, make intelligent decisions, and return safely to our units!

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