

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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The Burlington Police Department would like to provide neighbors with some tips to help enjoy a safe and happy Halloween. We encourage everyone to be aware of their surroundings and take caution.

- Drivers, be alert for trick-or-treaters
- Trick-or-treat with a parent, guardian or friend
- Dress warm
- Do not go into a stranger's house or vehicle
- Use flashlights and/or reflective tape to help stay visible
- Always look both ways before crossing the street
- Stay together as a group
- Inspect candy at home before eating

For additional resources, please visit the following websites:

• U.S. Department of Homeland Security

https://www.dhs.gov/employee-resources/news/2023/10/25/halloweensafety#:~:text=Stay%20on%20the%20porch%20or,other%20day%20of%20the%20year.

• U.S. Department of Transportation

https://www.nhtsa.gov/halloween-safety-tips

• U.S. Food and Drug Administration

https://www.fda.gov/consumers/consumer-updates/halloween-safety-tips-costumes-candyand-colored-contact-lenses

https://www.fda.gov/food/buy-store-serve-safe-food/halloween-food-safety-tips-parents

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

https://www.cdc.gov/orr/infographics/trickortreatchecklist.htm

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