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Watch out for koalas, drivers told

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MOTORISTS are being urged to look out for koalas on the move during breeding season.

More than 15 healthy koalas were killed by motorists, pets and pool drownings in five weeks.

Of the 15, three were killed

in Capalaba and one in Birkdale.

Redland City Mayor Melva Hobson said a baby kangaroo was rescued after its mother was savaged by a backyard dog earlier this month.

The joey has now been fostered with a carer in Springwood until it has

grown enough to be released into the wild.

"Many of the koalas killed have been hit by careless drivers and nearly every single one was a healthy animal, adding to the distress of those trying to save and protect this iconic but endangered animal," Ms Hobson said.

"It is an unnecessary death rate."

Ms Hobson is calling on the community to help protect the furry animals.

"Drive slowly and be aware of koala crossing roadways, enclose your dog at night and put a rope in your pool and a post against your



ON THE MOVE: Healthy animals and careless drivers don't mix.