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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

(Wilton Manors, FL)- Officers with the Wilton Manors Police Department (WMPD) will focus on the Aggressive Driving Safety Awareness campaign throughout the City of Wilton Manors. The campaign will run from July 17 through July 23. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) aggressive driving is defined as the operation of a motor vehicle in a manner that endangers or is likely to endanger persons or property. The Aggressive Driving Safety Awareness Campaign is aimed at highlighting the danger of aggressive driving behaviors, such as following too closely, improper lane change, improper passing, failure to yield right-of-way, disregarding traffic control devices, and speeding, while driving on our roadways.

During this campaign WMPD Officers will conduct educational and enforcement efforts regarding aggressive driving. The educational and enforcement efforts will take place along our major roadways such as Wilton Drive, Dixie Highway, N.E. 6th Avenue, N.E. 26th Street, Oakland Park Boulevard, Andrews Avenue and N.W. 9th Avenue/Powerline Road.

According to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) 50% of traffic fatalities are due to aggressive driving and speeding is one of the most prevalent aggressive behaviors.

Motorists should protect themselves and their passengers by learning how to share the road safely. Here are several tips to follow in order to save a life on our roadways:

- Avoid the blind spots (also known as “No Zones”)
- Pass with caution: Pass on the left side for maximum visibility and maintain a constant speed

- Merge with care
- Do not speed
- Do not cut vehicles off
- Signal sooner
- Pay attention: Do not drive distracted
- Share the Road

If you witness aggressive or dangerous driving on our roadways you are encouraged to call police immediately at 954-764-4357 (954-764-HELP) or simply dial 9-1-1.

For more information about aggressive driving visit: <http://www.fdotmiamidade.com/drivesafe-md> and <http://www.nhtsa.gov/Aggressive>

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