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Click It or Ticket: The National Seat Belt Enforcement Campaign Begins May 23

Tampa, FL (PRWEB) May 20, 2016 -- Florida drivers know that buckling up is the law. Yet fatal crashes continue to increase, as violators fail to put on their seatbelt when driving or riding in a vehicle. While statistics show that drivers and passengers have been buckling up more consistently during daytime hours, evening and night time fatal crashes between the hours of 6 pm and 5:59 am have continued to increase.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Association (NHTSA) has instituted a national seatbelt enforcement mobilization period beginning May 23rd and ending June 5th, 2016. The mobilization was created to enforce seat belt laws 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Local law enforcement agencies will be joining forces and patrolling "Coast to Coast" on major interstates including I-10, I-40, I-70, and I-80. The objective of the patrol is to remind citizens that law enforcement's priority is safety.

The <u>Click It or Ticket campaign</u> highlights key issues in traffic safety. Research conducted by the NHTSA showed, while 88.5 percent of passenger vehicle occupants buckled up in 2015, almost 50 percent of occupants of fatal crashes nationwide are not restrained. Even more tragic, in some states the rate is as high as 70 percent unrestrained in fatal crashes. These startling statistics are the key reason the enforcement mobilization period was formed.

"Buckling up is one of the easiest ways to put your life out of danger's way," remarked attorney <u>Jennifer Burns</u>, "No one regrets putting on their seatbelt." Jennifer Burns is one of Tampa Bay's foremost personal injury attorneys, handling car accident claims with tenacity and compassion.

Law enforcement agencies will issue citations to all seatbelt law violators pulled over during the Click it or Ticket time period. Local police are maintaining a zero-tolerance policy for those without seatbelts. For more information on the NHTSA's Click It or Ticket campaign please visit www.nhtsa.gov/ciot.

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