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MIAMI GARDENS AND PEMBROKE PINES RED-LIGHT SAFETY CAMERA PROGRAMS SHOW DRAMATIC COLLISION REDUCTIONS

Scottsdale, AZ – Red-light safety cameras are continuing to save lives and increase road safety throughout Florida. Recent results from the City of Pembroke Pines and the City of Miami Gardens police departments show considerable decreases in crashes at intersections with safety cameras.

Since the inception of the red-light safety camera program, Miami Gardens crashes have been reduced by 83% percent at the 12 monitored intersections. Crash data from 2008 through October 2011 was closely examined and the city has achieved a steady reduction in collisions creating safer roads for the community.

“These cameras are helping modify driver behavior dramatically,” said City of Miami Gardens Police Chief Matthew Boyd. “I believe that many people are now more cautious on the road and think twice before running a red-light.”

Another Florida city, Pembroke Pines, has also seen great success at the S.W. 129th Avenue/Pines Boulevard intersection. Based on that city’s recent findings, activation of the red-light safety camera suggest a 46 percent decrease in the average annual number of traffic crashes at this intersection.

“This is a large reduction in average traffic collisions,” said Pembroke Pines Police Chief Dan Giustino. “A reduction in crashes translates into saving lives. This program is working.”

Currently, more than 70 communities in Florida, and more than 500 nationwide, use technology to create safer roads and safer driving habits. According to the Federal Highway Administration, most communities with camera programs will experience a reduction in red-light running violations ranging from 20-87 percent, within about an eighteen month time frame of when an intersection safety camera program is implemented.

“About one year ago, someone carelessly ran a red light and my mother lost her life while riding her bike home from work,” said Genevieve Almodovar and Selena Glass, daughters of Diane Vega, a red-light crash victim. “However, safety cameras make people think before they proceed through a red light. They help save lives of innocent drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists.”

About American Traffic Solutions:

ATS is proud to be the market leader in road safety camera installations in North America. ATS has more than 3,000 installed red-light and speed safety cameras serving more than 30 million people. ATS is the largest road safety camera program service provider in North America with awards or contracts with nearly 300 local jurisdictions in 21 states and Washington, D.C., including: Fort Worth, Kansas City, Memphis, Nassau County (N.Y.), New York City, Orlando, Philadelphia, Seattle, St. Louis and more.

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CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA

INTERSECTION VEHICLE CRASHES BY YEAR

2008 - 2011*



Intersection	Pre-Camera	Post-Camera	08 over 09	2010	09 over 10	2011*	10 over 11*	3-Year
	2008	2009	Reduction		Reduction		Reduction	Reduction
NW 183 Street & NW 27 Avenue	23	15		7		14		
NW 183 Street & NW 17 Avenue	15	8		9		3		
NW 211 Street & NW 27 Avenue	6	3		5		0		
NW 199 Street & NW 2 Avenue	7	5		2		2		
NW 207 Street & NW 27 Avenue	19	10		9		3		
NW 175 Street & NW 27 Avenue	27	13		7		2		
NW 215 Street & NW 2 Avenue	11	12		7		0		
NW 183 Street & NW 7 Avenue	16	9		11		2		
NW 199 Street & NW 27 Avenue	19	7		4		0		
NW 183 Street & NW 37 Avenue	17	5		2		0		
NW 167 Street & NW 27 Avenue	19	10		5		0		
NW 167 Street & NW 27 Avenue	37	35		22		10		
TOTAL	216	132	-38.89%	90	-31.82%	36	-60.00%	-83.33%

* Through October 2011



City of Pembroke Pines Police Department

Red Light Camera
S.W. 129th Avenue/Pines Boulevard
Accidents & Violations

Crash Data Summary

- For the 24 month period ended June 2008, the average annual number of crashes was 12.5 (Red light camera not active)
- For the following 36 month period ended June 2011, the average annual number of crashes was 6.7 (Red light camera activated April 2008)

Based on the findings outlined above, activation of the red light camera suggests a 46% decrease in the average annual number of traffic crashes at this intersection.