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### Media Release

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**Re:** “CLICK IT OR TICKET” –REMINDER TO WEAR SEAT BELTS

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The **Hernando County Sheriff's Office** has joined local and national law enforcement officers and highway safety advocates all across the country for the 2011 national *Click It or Ticket* seat belt enforcement mobilization, May 23-June 5.

During the mobilization, officers will be cracking down on motorists who fail to wear their seat belts – both day and night.

High-visibility enforcement such as the *Click It or Ticket* mobilization is credited with increasing the national belt usage rate from 58 percent in 1994 to an observed usage rate of 85 percent in 2010. Belt use saves thousands of lives each year across America. In 2009 alone, seat belts saved 12,713 lives nationwide.

“Law enforcement will be cracking down on *Click It or Ticket* violators around the clock. Local motorists should be prepared to buckle up. If law enforcement finds you on the road unbuckled anytime or anywhere, you can expect to get a ticket — not a warning. No excuses and no exceptions,” said Sheriff Al Nienhuis.

Remember this May 23 to June 5: It's *Click It or Ticket*. Buckle up and encourage your loved ones to do the same. You'll save the cost of a ticket and may even save a life.