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## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

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## FOURTH OF JULY SPECTACULAR

The July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities will take place on the Fort Lauderdale beach, more specifically at A1A and Las Olas Boulevard. This city sponsored celebration will consists of live music, family activities, games on the beach and various contests beginning at 1:00 P.M. followed by a spectacular fireworks show at 9:00 P.M.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department will head the public safety and security operations. Additional lifeguards and Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue personnel will be on site providing ocean safety and medical assistance.

Parents are reminded to have discussions with their children, directing them to locate a uniformed police officer, fire rescue staff member or lifeguard should they become separated from their family.

## **Traffic Advisory:**

A1A will be closed from Las Olas Boulevard, north to Castillo Street from 7:00 A.M. on Wednesday until 1:00 A.M. on Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup>. All traffic traveling North on A1A will be diverted West onto Las Olas Boulevard, North on Birch Road, East onto Bayshore Drive and then back North onto A1A. Please note that Alhambra Street, Seville Street and Granada Street will be open for local traffic only. Motorists commuting in the area of Southeast 17<sup>th</sup> Street, North to Bayshore Drive should anticipate heavy congestion and traffic delays. In an effort to minimize these delays, Fort Lauderdale Police Department personnel will be stationed at all nearby main intersections to assist with vehicular traffic flow.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department would like to remind motorists to park only in designated parking areas, as any parking violations will be strictly enforced.

## **Important Beach Regulations:**

- ✓ Alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited.
- ✓ Glass bottles and containers are strictly prohibited.
- ✓ Fireworks are strictly prohibited to include; "any combustible or explosive composition or substance or combination of substance or any article prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration or detonation, <u>including sparklers</u>" (M.O. 7.5(i)).

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