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**FLPD WELCOMES SPRING
BREAK VISITORS WITH
A ZERO TOLERANCE**

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department has preparations in place for a safe and enjoyable Spring Break in anticipation of the college students and families planning to visit our beautiful beach.

The Spring Break season has officially begun and runs through the end of April. The Fort Lauderdale Police Department encourages all visitors and local residents to educate themselves, and become familiar with some of the municipal ordinances that help keep the City of Fort Lauderdale safe and enjoyable.

Below are some municipal ordinances relevant to Spring Break. The public is reminded that any violation of these ordinances may result in an arrest or the issuance of a Notice to Appear before a judge:

- Possession/serve/give an alcoholic beverage to a person under 21
- Refusing to leave or returning to an establishment after being warned
- Possessing or displaying fraudulent identification card
- Possessing an open container of alcohol within a public place which is not an enclosed structure
- Consuming alcohol in an establishment for off-premise consumption only
- Causing a public disturbance while intoxicated
- Engaging in physical fighting or in violent, threatening behavior
- Public indecency; exposing sexual organs or female's breasts
- Sleeping on the beach
- **ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON THE BEACH**

While visiting, beachgoers will hear a public announcement stating the following;

"Welcome to Fort Lauderdale Beach. As a reminder, neither alcohol nor glass containers are allowed on the sand and sidewalks. Please dispose of all trash properly in the nearby receptacles to assist us in keeping your beach clean."

Due to the increase in visitors, motorists are encouraged to seek alternate routes or modes of transportation (i.e. public transportation or bicycling) to avoid heavy traffic congestion and delays.

Through public information and a conscious effort by all who abide by Fort Lauderdale's local ordinances, the Police Department anticipates a fun-filled Spring Break for those who visit and reside within our city.

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