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City of Madeira Beach Wishes Everyone a Safe Halloween

MADEIRA BEACH, FL – On the evening of Wednesday, October 31, we can anticipate a number of young people traversing our streets and participating in the long-standing Halloween tradition throughout our community. These young people have taken much time and care in selecting their costume, and they are anticipating the spoils of their “trick or treating” experience.

We, as adults, must also take care in ensuring that we are vigilant in our driving habits, and in creating a safe atmosphere for children to enjoy this American tradition. If you choose to participate in Halloween activities, please make sure that there is safe passage to your front door and/or patio, that additional light is provided if necessary, and that the front of your home is illuminated. This sends a clear and distinct message that you are inviting our young ghouls, goblins, princes and princesses to show off their costumes and leave with—hopefully!—a handful of candy.

Furthermore, please make sure your eyes remain on the road when driving through our community, and you refrain from using technology that may distract you from driving. Reducing your speed is also not a bad thing; it helps to ensure that young people see you as they dart back and forth from house to house. Understand that they are full of excitement and enthusiasm, and sometimes they may forget to follow basic road-safety rules. Therefore, it is incumbent upon us as adults to ensure that they enjoy this evening and go home safely.

If you see any suspicious activity, or if you are concerned at any point, we encourage you to contact the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department immediately. In closing, let us make sure we have a great Halloween free of any accidents or incidents. On behalf of city staff and the Board of Commissioners, we wish you a happy and safe Halloween.

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