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Dear Friends,

We are officially one year away from the REAL ID deadline. While not a “property matter,” the deadline is important. After Oct. 1, 2020, you must have a REAL ID driver license or state ID card to board a domestic flight or enter a federal building. If you do not have your REAL ID, don’t delay! I strongly recommend you go to our website to schedule an appointment as soon as you receive your reminder notice in the mail. These notices are usually sent out 90 days before your license expires.

October is also a month filled with national awareness campaigns. One campaign that I am very passionate about is National Cybersecurity Awareness Month. This month I share some important information to protect yourself from cyber criminals.

To those observing Yom Kippur, I wish you peace and goodness. And don’t forget, our offices are closed Monday, Oct. 14, for Columbus Day.

Best regards,

REAL ID Deadline Countdown: One Year to Go!

The clock is ticking! Starting Oct. 1, 2020, every U.S. resident must present a REAL ID driver license or state ID card to board commercial flights or enter federal buildings.

Do you have a REAL ID driver license or state ID card? If your credential is missing a star in the upper right corner, you are not REAL ID compliant. Please visit www.pbctax.com for a checklist of required documents and schedule an appointment at least 90 days before your credential expires.



Invite Us to Your Next HOA Meeting or Event

The winter season is just around the corner and our civic engagement team looks forward to partnering with your homeowners association. We are available to deliver short presentations about our agency and the services we provide. Does your HOA have an upcoming event? We are happy to set up a display table to distribute agency materials and answer residents' questions. Please email ClientAdvocate@taxcollectorpbc.com to invite us to your next meeting or event.

We're Helping Spread the Word about Census 2020



Once a decade, America comes together to participate in the census. This census provides the basis for reapportioning Congressional seats and redistricting. Census data determine how \$675 billion are spent, supporting our state, county and community's vital programs.

By April 2020, most households will receive a census invitation in the mail. Every household can respond online, by mail or by phone. If you don't have access to the internet, you can always visit a library to use the public computers to respond online.

While our agency is not directly involved with the census itself, we are helping to spread the word in Palm Beach County. If you would like more information about the 2020 Census, please visit the official website at www.2020census.gov.

Tips to Help You Stay Safe and Secure Online

October is National Cybersecurity Awareness Month (NCSAM), a collaborative effort headed by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) and the National Cyber Security Alliance (NCSA). The goal is to raise awareness about the importance of cybersecurity and to ensure all Americans have the resources they need to be safer and more secure online.

Protect yourself and your personal information by following these tips:

Tip #1: Double your login protection. Enable multi-factor authentication to ensure that the only person who has access to your account is you.

Tip #2: Shake up your password protocol. Use the longest password permissible. Get creative and customize your password for different sites. Using different passwords for different sites can prevent criminals from gaining access to multiple accounts.

Tip #3: If you connect, you must protect. Make sure your devices are updated with the latest security software. Sign up for automatic updates. Protect your devices with anti-virus software.

For more tips, please visit the Department of Homeland Security's National Cybersecurity Awareness Month website at <https://www.dhs.gov/national-cyber-security-awareness-month> today!