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Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller to waive collection agency fees during "Operation Green Light"

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**WEST PALM BEACH** – The Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller is putting the brakes on collection agency fees to help drivers with unpaid traffic tickets and overdue court fines get back on the road.

For five days only, the office is waiving collection agency fees for anyone who pays their overdue fines in full. The annual event, called Operation Green Light, gives those who've had their driver's license suspended because of an unpaid fine the opportunity to save money and restore their driving privileges.

Operation Green Light begins Monday, March 1 and ends Friday, March 5.

To take advantage of the savings, customers have the option of paying online, or making their payment over the phone by calling the Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller's office or its payment vendor, nCourt.

Payments can be made online 24 hours a day

at <u>www.mypalmbeachclerk.com/operationgreenlight</u>. To pay by phone, please call the Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller's office at (561) 274-1530 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, or contact the nCourt payment center at (561) 207-7189 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

To find out how much is owed or for answers to other frequently asked questions, visit <u>www.mypalmbeachclerk.com/operationgreenlight</u>.

"Once a ticket goes unpaid, collection agency fees can make it financially difficult for a driver to get their license back," said Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller Joseph Abruzzo. "This is an opportunity for drivers to save money, reinstate their driving privileges and move forward."

Florida law requires the Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller's office to turn over unpaid tickets and other outstanding court fines and fees to an outside collection agency if the debt is not paid within 90 days of the due date. Collection agency fees can be as much as 40 percent. Those who don't pay also have their driver's license suspended.

Operation Green Light is part of an annual savings initiative held by Clerk's offices across Florida. For information on paying court obligations and traffic tickets issued outside of Palm Beach County, please visit <u>www.flclerks.com/greenlight</u>.

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