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Media Release –

Village of Deer Park Prepares for Launch of Red Light Camera Program

For Immediate Release – Deer Park, (May 6, 2010): The Village of Deer Park will begin implementing a Red Light Photo Enforcement Program in May 2010 at the intersection of Rand and Deer Park Blvd. The primary objective of the program is to provide 24-hour automated intersection enforcement, increase compliance with traffic laws and reduce accidents resulting from red light-running violations. Statistics indicate red light running is the leading cause of urban auto accidents.

During a 30 day grace period beginning May 7, 2010, violators will receive Warning Notices as opposed to actual citations. “We are taking steps to ensure everyone is aware of the new program,” Connors confirmed. The video of all potential violations is first reviewed by a trained Kildeer Police Officer before any notices are sent to the vehicle’s registered owner. Like a parking ticket, these violations are treated as a civil offense and will not impact driving records or insurance rates.

According to Connors there are a number of benefits associated with these cameras. Specifically, the installation of the equipment came at no cost to the Village and a camera monitoring an intersection frees up officers to focus on other areas within the community. “Our goal is to change bad driving habits and ensure compliance of public safety traffic laws”.

Residents interested in learning more about the Village’s Photo Enforcement Programs are invited to visit the Village website at www.village.deer-park.il.us for Frequently Asked Questions.

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