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DRIVER LICENSE OFFICE TO UNDERGO EXTENSIVE RENOVATIONS

~ Haines City office to remain closed through late January ~

HAINES CITY, Fla. - The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles announces that the Driver License office, located at 930 Lily Avenue East in Haines City, will remain closed for renovations through late January 2010. Although the current work was originally planned for completion next week, the Department has been notified that more extensive renovations are now necessary in order to complete the work on the leased facility.

The Florida Licensing On Wheels (*FLOW*mobile) will remain in the driver license office parking lot to assist customers with selected express transactions, such as driver license and identification card renewals, replacements, changes of address and reinstatements. Customers who require a written or driving examination during the renovation period may visit the Department's Lake Wales office at 692 U.S. Highway 60 West, 33853. A complete list of other office locations where customers can seek driver license services is available online at www.flhsmv.gov/offices/.

Customers also have the option to skip the trip and conduct their driver license business online at www.GoRenew.com. Using the virtual office, gives customers a convenient way to get the motorist services they need in the comfort of their own home or at work.

Customers wishing to obtain a driver license or ID card must bring an original or certified copy of their birth certificate or a U.S. passport, as well as proof of their Social Security number and residential address. The Department provides a complete list of acceptable identification documents online at www.flhsmv.gov/ddl/faqkeys.html. In addition to cash and personal checks, the Department accepts the following credit cards: MasterCard, American Express and Discover Card.

Planning to renew your license or ID card or to apply for a new one after the New Year? Be sure to plan ahead. Florida has new requirements for such credentials that take effect Jan. 1, 2010. Find out what documents you will need to *gather* before you *go* to a driver license office to *get* your license or ID card at www.GatherGoGet.com.

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles provides highway safety and security through excellence in service, education and enforcement. The Department is leading the way to a safer Florida through the efficient and professional execution of its core mission: the issuance of driver licenses, vehicle tags and titles and operation of the Florida Highway Patrol. To learn more about DHSMV and the services offered, visit www.flhsmv.gov.

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