

MEMORANDUM: GOVERNOR CRIST SIGNS LEGISLATION CREATING THE MARK WANDALL TRAFFIC SAFETY ACT

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Interested Media

FROM: Sterling Ivey, Governor's Press Secretary

RE: Governor Crist Signs Legislation Creating the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act

Governor Charlie Crist today signed the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act, creating uniform standards for the use of cameras as traffic enforcement devices. Cameras will give law enforcement an additional resource to help combat red-light running in Florida. A portion of the funds from traffic violations will go to the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund and the Department of Health Administrative Trust Fund, which supports trauma centers.

The Governor plans to hold a ceremonial bill signing in the near future with Melissa Wandall, wife of Mark Wandall, the legislation's namesake who was killed by a red-light runner in 2003.

**Statement by GOVERNOR CHARLIE CRIST Regarding the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act**

"Today I was pleased to sign a bill that will save the lives of Floridians. The legislation provides law enforcement with another effective tool to enforce safe and responsible driving on our roads.

"I am grateful to bill sponsors Senator Thad Altman and Representative Ron Reagan for their tremendous work in getting this legislation approved by both the House and the Senate. I also commend Melissa Wandall, whose determination and perseverance, along with the strong support of the law enforcement community, was instrumental in the passage of this law."

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call the Governor's press office at (850) 488-5394.