## City of Marco Island Press Release

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In anticipation of Memorial Day weekend, the City of Marco Island is planning for increased visitors to the Island. The City has detailed plans to mitigate issues concerning traffic, trash, crowds on the beach, and excessive noise.

The Marco Island Police Department will monitor the streets surrounding the Turtle Lot, South Beach Lot, and Tigertail Lot. Vehicles must not block the road to wait for parking spaces. Parking in the swales on posted residential streets is prohibited on weekends and holidays. Vehicles that are parked illegally will be ticketed and subject to being towed.

The City reminds beachgoers to adhere to our beach conduct ordinances including the prohibition of dogs, bikes, glass, and fires on the beach. Sea Turtle nesting season has begun so please fill in holes in the sand to prevent turtle disorientation and traps.

There will be additional patrols on the beaches and waterways over the weekend. Residents and visitors should expect heavy boating traffic, and all boaters must observe no-wake zones. Violations of the speed limits for boats and jet skis or operating a motorized vessel in an unauthorized area may incur a fine.

Trash will be picked up at the two pedestrian access points on the beach twice on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday over the holiday weekend. We ask all residents and visitors to keep our beaches clean and put trash in the receptacles near the beach entrances. Littering on the beach is subject to a fine. Trash will be collected at the Jolley Bridge on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday as well.

We ask all residents and visitors to protect our beaches and our quality of life. Be kind to neighbors and be mindful of loud noise, especially in residential neighborhoods and across narrow canals. The noise ordinance will be enforced and there are no warnings given between 11:00pm – 7:00am. Any concerns related to noise, traffic, trash, or conduct on the beach or waterways should be directed to the Marco Island Police Department at 239-389-5050. In case of an emergency dial 9-1-1.

This Memorial Day we ask residents and visitors to remember the military personnel who have died while serving our country and protecting our rights and freedoms.