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PRESS RELEASE

The City of Indian Rocks Beach Reminds Everyone

DON'T BLOW IT!

Don't let illegal fireworks ruin New Year's

New Year's Eve is a time to celebrate with family and friends. No matter how great the party is, it is illegal to violate the City of Indian Rocks Beach City Code, Pinellas County regulations and State law in the use of fireworks.

In the City of Indian Rocks Beach and Pinellas County, the following reminders are offered:

- ◆ *Ban on the retail sale, purchase, or use of fireworks that project into the air or explode.*
- ◆ *Use of sparklers, fountains, snakes and worms remains legal.*

Safety

Sparklers and fountains remain legal, but they can be dangerous, reaching temperatures of up to 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit. Only those over 12 years of age should handle sparklers of any type. Every year, youth often get burned by sparklers, so responsible adult supervision is always necessary. Officials urge extreme caution and advise residents to follow basic safety recommendations:

- √ *Read and understand all product warnings.*
- √ *Never place any body part directly over a device when lighting the fuse.*
- √ *Use sparklers only as intended outdoors.*
- √ *Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose handy in case of fire or other mishap.*
- √ *After using these devices, douse them with plenty of water from a bucket or hose before discarding.*

Residents who witness the use of illegal fireworks are asked to call the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office non-emergency telephone number 727/582-6177. Residents should call 911 only in the event of an emergency.

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