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“Making our Streets Safe:” Town of Forest Heights to Install Eleven Stop Sign Cameras Throughout the Town

Forest Heights, MD — The Town of Forest Heights has announced the installation of stop sign enforcement cameras at eleven intersections throughout the community, a major initiative to curb reckless driving and enhance public safety. The decision follows a comprehensive traffic study conducted during the Spring and Summer of 2025 in partnership with Obvio, a traffic technology and data firm.

Over recent years, the Town has experienced a sharp increase in dangerous driving behavior, including frequent stop sign violations that have endangered pedestrians and other motorists. Residents and Town officials have reported numerous incidents of near collisions caused by drivers disregarding traffic control devices.

The study’s findings were alarming. At one intersection—Livingston Road and Indian Head Highway (Route 210)—researchers recorded 976 stop sign violations in a single day. Even the least problematic intersection, South Huron and Woodlawn Drive, recorded seven (7) violations within the same period. These results underscored the urgent need for action.

“Forest Heights is a walkable community where families, seniors, and children enjoy being outdoors. When drivers ignore stop signs, they put everyone at risk,” said Mayor Troy Barrington Lilly. “These cameras are about accountability and protecting our residents. We urge everyone to slow down, obey traffic laws, and help make our town a safer place for all.”

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To address the growing safety concern, the Town is moving forward with camera installations at the following locations:

1. N/B Arapahoe Drive at Livingston Road
2. Comanche Drive at Livingston Road East
3. Indian Head Service Road at Talbert Drive Northbound
4. Indian Head Service Road at Livingston Road Southbound
5. Ottawa Street at Comanche Drive Southeast
6. Ottawa Street at Terrell Avenue Northwest
7. Quade Street at Comanche Drive Southeast
8. Ottawa Street at Terrell Avenue Southeast
9. Woodland Drive at Seneca Drive Northbound
10. Seneca Drive at Mohican Drive Northbound
11. Seneca Drive at Mohican Drive Southbound

Daniel E. Ruffin, the Town’s newly sworn-in chief of police, said, “The area around Route 210 and its connecting roads has long been a concern due to the high volume of traffic and frequent accidents. Our goal is to use these enforcement tools to reduce dangerous behaviors, prevent crashes, and ensure that everyone—drivers and pedestrians alike—can travel safely through Forest Heights.”

The camera installations are expected to begin in December, with a brief warning period before full enforcement starting in January. Drivers are encouraged to remain alert and adhere to all posted stop signs.

About the Town of Forest Heights

Incorporated in 1949, the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland, is a vibrant and diverse community located in southern Prince George’s County, just minutes from the Nation’s Capital. The Town is committed to promoting sustainable growth, fiscal responsibility, and strong community engagement. Forest Heights continues to lead in innovative municipal initiatives—ranging from environmental sustainability and infrastructure modernization to public safety and resident services—while maintaining a deep sense of community pride and partnership among residents, businesses, and local leaders.