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## **Holiday Lights Program Grants Voucher Versus Ticket**

**JOHNSTON, Iowa** – The Johnston Police Department will be spreading holiday cheer again this year for motorists who get pulled over for equipment violations with their Holiday Lights Program. The help spread happiness; the department teamed up with Hilltop Tire Service and Orlando’s Automotive in Johnston to allow motorists to get their light fixed for free as part of the program.

“Holiday season can be a busy time of year, but this program provides motorists a little less stress when they are pulled over,” said Sergeant Zach Grandon. “Instead of a traffic stop resulting in a warning or citation, we are helping motorists ensure while on the roadways. If an officer pulls you over within Johnston for a lighting violation between now and January 10, he or she can offer the driver a voucher. This program allows us and the local businesses involved to spread some holiday cheer and make those in violation drive away with a smile.”

The vouchers are valued at \$10 and are specific to each store participating. Officers will be issuing the vouchers from now through January 10. During this period, if you are pulled over by a Johnston officer and issued a warning for a burned-out tail light, headlight, or license plate light violation, you could receive a voucher. Recipients can bring the voucher into one of the participating stores and get replacement bulbs installed.

The following businesses are participating in the Holiday Lights Program:

- Hilltop Tire Service, 8277 Birchwood Court
- Orlando’s Automotive, L.L.C., 4845 NW 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite B

Hilltop and Orlando’s would like to remind drivers to get their vehicles road-ready for the winter driving season, including those tires and check lights frequently with the winter months ahead. Drivers can check their headlights when they pull up behind another vehicle, or they can test their tail lights when backing into a parking space with a wall behind them. This program is a win-win for everyone, and the officers can’t wait to spread a little holiday cheer!

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