



## **Juan Fernandez-Barquin, Esq., Clerk of the Court and Comptroller helps thousands of residents during Operation Green Light**

Juan Fernandez Barquin, Esq., Clerk of the Court and Comptroller, Miami-Dade County helped thousands of residents save over \$268,000 in collection fees through the Operation Green Light program. The program was offered from April 17<sup>th</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup>, and waived collection fees on outstanding traffic, parking, and court costs whose debt was with a collection agency.

“My office helped over 6,500 customers resolve their financial court obligations, waiving collections fees and establishing over 1,000 payment plans, which allows customers to pay their court obligations in monthly installments,” said Clerk and Comptroller Fernandez-Barquin. “The money saved by our customers goes directly back into their wallets to pay for everyday essentials.”

Typically, a driver’s license suspension occurs when an individual has unpaid traffic tickets, fails to comply, or appear at a traffic summons, point suspensions, and more. To lower the number of suspended licenses in Miami-Dade County, at the direction of Clerk and Comptroller Fernandez-Barquin, a large-scale Operation Green Light event took place. During this event, payments could be made online, over the phone, or in person at eight courthouses.

“I would like to thank our team members who either worked directly or indirectly with our customers. It is because of them that Operation Green Light was such a success,” added Fernandez-Barquin. “During these challenging economic times, it is our responsibility to ease the burden of our citizens who want to do the right thing.”

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