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PRESS RELEASE

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Zero Tolerance for Fireworks Violations

As we begin to emerge from the pandemic and rotate back to a normal lifestyle, we are all excited about celebrating 4th of July this year with family and friends. We want to remind everyone to celebrate safely and enjoy the holiday but refrain from using illegal fireworks. Fireworks have resulted in brush fires, damaged homes, missing pets, and unnecessary injuries. Our surrounding hills are extremely dry and all fireworks pose a significant threat to the safety of our community.

Illegally obtained fireworks and “Safe and Sane” fireworks purchased legally elsewhere are still illegal in the City of Morgan Hill. Morgan Hill Police and Fire have adopted a “zero tolerance” policy for illegal fireworks and will be actively patrolling on the 4th for violations. The use and or possession of illegal fireworks will result in the following fines.

Between July 1-7 and between December 30-January 2 each year FINES WILL TRIPLE.....

1st violation is \$300, 2nd violation is \$600, and 3rd violation is \$1,500.

Reference sections of the Morgan Hill Municipal Code:

8.32.010 - Sale or possession of fireworks is prohibited.

8.32.030 - Violation of this section is a misdemeanor

Anyone with questions or concerns regarding this press release can contact Sgt. Bill Norman at (669) 253-4982 or email at bill.norman@morganhill.ca.gov.