

WELLS COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2009- 1

An Ordinance Imposing Speed Limitations On County Road 200 South
from Indiana State Road 1 to Hoosier Highway

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 9-21-1-3 allows local authorities to reduce speed below the prima facie speed limits authorized under Indiana Code § 9-21-5; and

WHEREAS, the Wells County Highway Engineer has done a thorough study of traffic on Wells County Road 200 South from Indiana State Road 1 to the Hoosier Highway; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the Wells County Highway Engineer's study, he made written recommendations to the Wells County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, those recommendations were that because County Road 200 South is a busy, narrow roadway supporting a large percentage of semi trucks, and that utility poles and other fixtures are close to the road because of a smaller than normal right-of-way, the speed of all traffic on the 1.4 mile section of Wells County Road 200 South from Indiana State Road 1 to the Hoosier Highway should be reduced to 40 miles per hour (MPH) and so marked because it would make travel safer and reduce the seriousness of potential accidents; and

WHEREAS, the Wells County Board of Commissioners, by unanimous vote, agreed with that recommendation; and

IT IS THEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Wells County, Indiana, as follows:

SECTION 1. The speed limit on the portion of roadway known as Wells County Road 200 South from Indiana State Road 1 to the Hoosier Highway shall be 40 MPH and that the speed shall be so marked.

SECTION 2. The decision to reduce the speed limit is based upon the standard set by the Indiana Highway Traffic Manual and is a result of the investigation by the Wells County Highway Engineer.

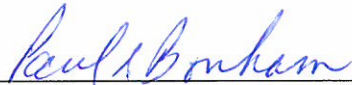
SECTION 3. All motorists using this half mile section of roadway shall be required to observe the speed limit of 40 MPH.

SECTION 4. A violation of this section shall be considered a Class C infraction under the terms of the Indiana Code § 9-21-5-13.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

THIS ORDINANCE IS ORDAINED, APPROVED, ENACTED, and SIGNED, by the Board of Commissioners of Wells County this 5th day of JANUARY, 2009.


WELLS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:



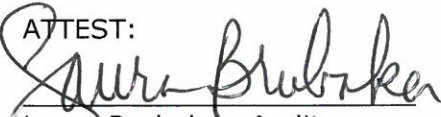
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