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WELLS COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

An Ordinance Placing a Stop Sign At the Intersection of Spruce Drive and Maple Drive

WHEREAS, I.C. 36-9-2-1 et seq. and I.C. 9-4-1-32, as well as several related State statutes, authorize and empower local authorities to establish, maintain, and operate public roads, regulate the use thereof, determine preferential county roads, and place signs to control the traffic thereon; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Wells County, Indiana, desires to control southbound traffic at the intersection of Spruce Drive and Maple Drive in Bluffton, Wells County, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the Wells County Highway Engineer has investigated this location and has determined that currently there are no signs in place and that the traffic entering onto Maple/ uses the normal right-of-way rule.

WHEREAS, the Wells County Highway Engineer has studied the traffic flow at this location and according to all guidelines, definite control of traffic entering onto Maple Drive is needed to enhance the safety of this busy roadway area, thereby making all traffic, especially the movement of emergency vehicles, much safer.

WHEREAS, Maple Drive in Wells County is the main road in terms of traffic count and in keeping with Wells County's principle of giving preference to main roads it is recommended that a stop sign be installed on Spruce Street at this intersection; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Wells County, Indiana, desires to adopt an ordinance to place a stop sign on Spruce Drive at that intersection.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Wells

County, Indiana, that:

- 1. STOP signs shall be placed on Spruce Drive at the intersection Maple Drive stopping traffic on Spruce Street.
- 2. Said intersection shall henceforth be designated as Spruce Drive stopping for Maple Drive.
- 3. Motorists shall observe the stop sign in accordance with the direction of the signs posted at the intersection of Spruce Drive and Maple Drive
- 4. Pursuant to I.C. 9-20-1-4, any violation of this ordinance shall constitute a Class C Infraction.
- 5. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication as required by Indiana law.

All as Passed and Ordained this 18th day of January, 2022

[signatures next page]

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

OF THE COUNTY OF WELLS:

Michael Vanover, President

Blake Gerber, Vice-President

Jeff Stringer, Member

ATTEST:

Lisá McCormick, Auditor

This instrument was prepared by the Wells County Attorney, Colin Z. Andrews, Andrews & Crell P.C. *I affirm, under penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document, unless required by law. Colin Z. Andrews*