GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 97-3

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM WEIGHT & HEIGHT LIMITATIONS FOR BRIDGES

BE IT ORDAINED by The Board of Commissioners of Wabash County, Indiana, under authority of Indiana Code 8-17-1-1 et seq, and all other acts amendatory thereof to the General Assembly of the State of Indiana;

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of Wabash County, Indiana has reviewed and examined the maximum safe weight levels and height limitations on all bridges situated in Wabash County, Indiana, and has determined that the previously set maximum weights and heights established in General Ordinance 96-5 dated April 1, 1996, and similar ordinances previously dated thereto, should be abolished and new standards and limitations set; and

WHEREAS, in so doing The Board of Commissioners of Wabash County are specifically and intentionally revoking General Ordinance 96-5 and all prior similar ordinances thereto.

NOW THEREFORE, from and after the enactment of this ordinance the gross weight and height of vehicles using bridges situated within Wabash County, Indiana is now limited as follows:

State Bridge #	Water Way	Max.	<u>Weight</u>	Max.	Height
10 18 165 505 509 645	Spiecher Creek Eel River Eel River Charley Creek Wabash River Eel River	4 5 15 5	Tons Tons Tons Tons Tons Tons	=	Feet Feet

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the erection of appropriate signs at the locations as described herein above.

- (a) Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance commits a Class C Infraction, except as otherwise provided. However, a violation of any of the weight limitations set out hereinabove is a Class B Infraction if the total of all excesses of weight under these limitations is more than five thousand (5,000) pounds, but not more than ten thousand (10,000) pounds, and a Class A Infraction if the total of all excesses of weight under the above limitations is more than ten thousand (10,000) pounds. Any person who violates the maximum height limitation as set out in this Ordinance commits a Class C Infraction.
- (b) The Court may suspend the registration of a vehicle used in violating this ordinance for not more than ninety (90) days.

- (c) Upon conviction of a person for violation of any law regarding the weight limit of vehicles operated upon any public highway, the Court may recommend suspension of his current chauffeur's license only if the violation was committed knowingly.
- Notwithstanding IC 34-4-32-4, funds collected as judgments (d) (except for costs) for violations under subsection (a) shall be deposited in the Cumulative Bridge Fund.

PASSED by The Board of Wabash County Commissioners this day of June, 1997.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

ATTEST:

CAROL STEFANATOS

Wabash County Auditor

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