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GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 77-1

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON COUNTY HIGHWAYS WHEN CLOSED BY REASON OF SNOW EMERGENCY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board Of Commissioners of Wabash County, Indiana, under authority of Indiana Code: 8-1-23-1, Indiana Code: 9-4-1-27 and Indiana Code: 17-2-2.5-1:

WHENEVER the Board of Commissioners of Wabash County, Indiana, shall determine that the use of any public County Highway or Highways shall be or will become impracticable or unsafe because of obstruction or interruption resulting from the accumulation of snow, the said Board of Commissioners may declare a 'snow emergency' and, thereupon, may close said highway or highways, or the necessary parts thereof, until such time as the conditions causing such obstruction or interruption shall no longer exist and the continued use of said highway or highways shall become practicable and safe, at which time the said Board of Commissioners shall reopen said highway or highways.

During the period that any such highway is closed, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle upon such closed highway, except snow removal equipment, police, fire or emergency vehicles, snowmobiles and farm machinery. Provided, however, that any person may use such highway for the necessities of life.

Any person found to be unlawfully operating a motor vehicle in violation of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in any sum not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), to which may be added imprisonment in the County Jail for any period not to exceed Fourteen (14) days.

PASSED by the Board of Commissioners of Wabash County, Indiana, on this <u>7th</u> day of Wharch 7, 1977.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

ATTEST:

LLOYD R. MILLER, Auditor