THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2020-85- 18

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PARKING ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS

WHEREAS, under I.C. 8-17-1-40 a county may adopt an ordinance regulating traffic on any highway in the county highway system;

WHEREAS, under I.C. 9-21-1 a county may adopt additional traffic regulations by ordinance with respect to highways under the County's jurisdiction, including the regulation of the standing or parking of vehicles;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of Wabash County to regulate parking in order to prohibit the obstruction of passage of vehicles on all public highways within Wabash County.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDAINED as follows:

For the purposes of this Ordinance, the term "highway" shall have the same meaning set forth under I.C. 9-13-2-73, and its amendments, and shall include a public alley in any unincorporated areas of the County.

For the purposes of this Ordinance, the term "vehicle" shall have the same meaning set forth under I.C. 9-13-2-196, and its amendments.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park, stop, or leave unattended a vehicle within the traveled portion of the public right-of-way of any highway within the County, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or to avoid conflict with law enforcement or emergency vehicles, or on the directions of a law enforcement officer or traffic control device.

It shall be unlawful for any person to obstruct or place an obstacle within the traveled portion of the public right-of-way of any highway within the County that impedes or blocks the normal movement of traffic, except on the directions of a law enforcement officer or if such obstruction or obstacle is a traffic control device.

A person that violates this Ordinance commits a Class C infraction and shall be subject to a fine of not less than Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) for the first violation and Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each subsequent violation. Each act of violation or each day upon which any such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate violation.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage and publication as required by law.

Adopted this 4 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH COUNTY

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ATTEST:

Marcie Shepherd Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor

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