

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON, TEXAS REGULATING THE SPEED OF MOTOR VEHICLES UPON A CERTAIN SECTION OF US 59 WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON, TEXAS. AUTHORIZING THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ERECT SIGNS, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jefferson, Texas and the Texas Department of Transportation have conducted engineering studies and traffic investigations to determine the reasonable and safe prima facie maximum speeds for motor vehicles upon that section of US 59 within the corporate limits of the City of Jefferson, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined by engineering studies and traffic investigations that the reasonable and safe prima facie maximum speeds for motor vehicles traveling upon said section of the hereinabove mentioned highway in the City of Jefferson, Texas should be as set out hereinafter; and

**WHEREAS**, said section with said reasonable and safe prima facie speed limits as hereinafter set forth has been approved by the Texas Department of Transportation upon its own independent investigations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Texas Department of Transportation has indicated a willingness to erect signs indicating the reasonable and safe facie maximum speed limits, along said portions of the above mentioned highways within the City of Jefferson, Texas; and **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON, TEXAS:**

## SECTION 1.

That the following prescribed section of US 59 as indicated on the attached plan marked "**EXHIBIT A**" is regulated as to the speed of motor vehicles traveling thereon in the direction indicated, and it shall be unlawful for the driver of any motor vehicle to drive said vehicle within said section in the direction stated at a speed in excess of the following:

### **A. FOR TRAFFIC TRAVELING IN A SOUTHTHERLY DIRECTION ON US 59.**

1. Sixty-five (65) miles per hour from a point 771 ft. north of Bulldog Dr. said point also being the north city limit of Jefferson (MP 7.272 Cont. 0062-05) south for a distance of 0.052 miles to a point 496 ft. north of Bulldog Dr. (MP 7.324 Cont. 0062-05) except this portion shall be 55 miles per hour for southbound traffic when the flashing beacon is in operation on school days. This section passed by Commission Minute Order 111916 in July 2009.
2. Fifty-five (55) miles per hour from a point 496 ft. north of Bulldog Dr. (MP 7.324 Cont. 0062-05) south for a distance of 0.310 miles to a point 279 ft. south of Pinehill Dr. (MP 7.634 Cont. 0062-05) except for that portion from a point 496 ft. north of Bulldog Dr. (MP 7.324 Cont. 0062-05) south for a distance of 0.189 miles to a point 359 Ft. north of Pinehill Dr. (MP 7.513 Cont. 0062-05) the speed limit shall be 35 miles per hour for the school zone when flashing beacons are in operation on school days.
3. Forty (45) miles per hour from a point 279 Ft. south of Pinehill Dr. (MP 7.634 Cont. 0062-05) south for a distance of 0.860 miles to a point being the intersection of State Highway 49 (MP 8.494 Cont. 0062-05) except for that portion from a point 174 ft. north of Whelen St. (MP 7.830 Cont. 0062-05) south for a distance of 0.229 miles to a point 42 ft. south of Douglas St. (MP 8.059

Cont. 0062-05) the speed limit shall be 30 miles per hour for the school zone when flashing beacons are in operation on school days.

4. Forty (45) miles per hour from a point being the intersection of SH 49 (MP 0.000 Cont. 0062-06) south for a distance of 0.196 miles to a point 1033 ft. south of State Highway 49 (MP 0.196 Cont. 0062-06).
5. Fifty-five (55) miles per hour from a point 1,033 ft. south of State Highway 49 (MP 0.196 Cont. 0062-06) south for a distance of 0.386 miles to a point 1,192 ft. south of Jefferson St. (MP 0.582 Cont. 0062-06).
6. Seventy (70) miles per hour from a point 1,192 ft. south of Jefferson St. (MP 0.582 Cont. 0062-06) south for a distance of 0.421 miles to a point at the South City Limits of Jefferson (MP 1.003 Cont. 0062-06). This point also being the point of termination.

**B. FOR TRAFFIC TRAVELING IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ON US 59.**

1. Seventy (70) miles per hour from the South City Limits of Jefferson (MP 1.003 Cont. 0062-06) north for a distance of 0.421 miles to a point 1,192 ft. south of Jefferson St. (MP 0.582 Cont. 0062-06).
2. Fifty-five (55) miles per hour from a point 1,192 ft. south of Jefferson St. (MP 0.582 Cont. 0062-06) north for a distance of 0.386 miles to a point 1033 ft. south of State Highway 49 (MP 0.196 Cont. 0062-06).
3. Forty-five (45) miles per hour from a point 1033 ft. south of State Highway 49. (MP 0.196 Cont. 0062-06) north for a distance of 0.196 miles to a point being the intersection of State Highway 49 (MP 0.000 Cont. 62-06).

4. Forty-five (45) miles per hour from a point being the intersection of State Highway 49. (MP 8.494 Cont. 0062-05) north for a distance of 0.860 miles to a point 279 ft. south of Pinehill Dr. (MP 7.634 Cont. 62-05) except for that portion from a point 42 ft. south of Douglas St. (MP 8.059 Cont. 0062-05) north for a distance of 0.229 miles to a point 174 ft. north of Whelen St. (MP 7.830 Cont. 0062-05) the speed limit shall be 30 miles per hour for the school zone when flashing beacons are in operation on school days.
5. Fifty-five (55) miles per hour from a point 279 ft. south of Pinehill Dr. (MP 7.634 Cont. 0062-05) north for a distance of 0.310 miles to a point 496 ft. north of Bulldog Dr. except for that portion from a point 359 Ft. north of Pinehill Dr. (MP 7.513 Cont. 0062-05) north for a distance of 0.189 miles to a point 496 ft. north of Bulldog Dr. (MP 7.324 Cont. 0062-05) the speed limit shall be 35 miles per hour for the school zone when flashing beacons are in operation on school days.
6. Sixty-five (65) miles per hour from a point 496 ft. north of Bulldog Dr. (MP 7.324 Cont. 0062-05) north for a distance of 0.052 miles to a point 771 ft. north of Bulldog Dr. said point also being the north city limit of Jefferson (MP 7.272 Cont. 0062-05) except this portion shall be 55 miles per hour for southbound traffic when the flashing beacon is in operation on school days. This section passed by Commission Minute Order 111916 in July 2009. This point also being the point of termination.

## **SECTION 2.**

That the hereinabove speeds for vehicular traffic traveling upon the hereinabove designated section of US 59 in the direction herein specified be and they are hereby found to be reasonable and safe prima facie speed limits therefore. The fact that this regulation of the speed of motor vehicles is needed, creates an emergency which is for the immediate preservation of public safety and general welfare, requires that this ordinance take effect immediately from and after its passage and it is accordingly so ordained.

## **SECTION 3.**

The Texas Department of Transportation is authorized to erect signs indicating the speed limits herein designated.

## **SECTION 4.**

That any person violating any provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in any sum not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00)

## **SECTION 5.**

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 6.**

If any portion of this ordinance shall be judicially determined to be invalid such invalidity shall affect only that portion thereby so found and it shall not be construed so as to affect or otherwise impair the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

**PASSED, EXAMINED AND APPROVED** this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February,  
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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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City Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

  
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City Attorney

