

STATE OF MONTANA RAVALLI COUNTY

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TO:

**RAVALLI COUNTY ORDINANCE #23****SPEED LIMIT FOR WESTSIDE ROAD, HAMILTON, MONTANA****STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish a speed limit for Westside Road, Hamilton, Montana to promote the health and safety of motorists, other roadway users and area residents.

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Ravalli County Road and Bridge Department conducted a traffic speed study on Westside Road, from Roaring Lion Road to West Bridge Road, between May 02, 2011 and May 09, 2011, which determined that 45 miles-per-hour constituted approximately the 85th percentile of the sampled traffic, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has considered the 35 miles-per-hour design speed of Westside Road between Wyant Lane and West Bridge Road, and

WHEREAS, the Ravalli County Road & Bridge Department's analysis indicates that a 35 miles-per-hour speed limit is appropriate and safe between Wyant Lane and West Bridge Road; and

WHEREAS, Sections 7-14-2113 and 61-8-310, MCA allow boards of county commissioners to establish speed limits on any county road, subject to certain parameters; and

WHEREAS, Ravalli County Resolution 1010 imposed a speed limit of 45 miles-per-hour on Westside Road.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RAVALLI COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1. SPEED LIMIT ESTABLISHED**

A regulatory speed limit of 45 miles-per-hour shall be established for Westside Road between Roaring Lion Road and Wyant Lane and 35 miles-per-hour between Wyant Lane and West Bridge Road, in Hamilton, Ravalli County, Montana.

**SECTION 2. SPEED LIMIT SIGNS**

Upon receiving notice of the regulatory speed limit established by this Ordinance, and after the passage of at least thirty days from the date this Ordinance is adopted, the Road and Bridge Department shall erect the appropriate signs giving drivers notice of the regulatory speed limit established by this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3. PENALTY**

Penalty for violation of this Ordinance or any provision thereof shall be enforced according to Title 61, Chapter 8, MCA and the Ravalli County Code (if such is in effect at the time of violation), or any other applicable state or local law.

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**SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY**

If any part of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other parts which can be given effect without the invalid part. To this end, provisions of this Ordinance are to be severable.

**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall be effective at the later of thirty days from the adoption of this Ordinance or upon the posting of appropriate signs giving notice of the regulatory speed limit on the affected roadway or portion thereof.

**SECTION 6. DURATION**

This Ordinance shall remain in effect until repealed or suspended by other legislative or judicial action.

**SECTION 7. REPEAL RESOLUTION 1010 IN PART**

The part (if any) of Ravalli County Resolution 1010 applicable to Westside Road between Wyant Lane and West Bridge Road is hereby repealed.

**SECTION 8. CODIFICATION**

If Ravalli County adopts a Ravalli County Code, the speed limit described in this Ordinance shall be listed referencing the purpose and findings in this Ordinance.

APPROVED AND INITIALLY ADOPTED AT FIRST READING THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF August, 2011.

J.R. Iman  
J.R. Iman, Chairman

Suzy Foss  
Suzy Foss, Member

Greg Chilcott  
Greg Chilcott, Vice-Chairman

Ron Stoltz  
Ron Stoltz, Member

Matt Kanenwisher  
Matt Kanenwisher, Member

Regena Lettenberg  
Attest: Clerk & Recorder  
By: Lisa L. Bennett  
Deputy



APPROVED AND ADOPTED AT SECOND READING THIS 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF August, 2011.

J.R. Iman  
J.R. Iman, Chairman

Suzy Foss  
Suzy Foss, Member



  
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Greg Chilcott, Vice-Chairman

*Absent*  
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Matt Kanenwisher, Member

  
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Ron Stoltz, Member

  
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Attest: Clerk & Recorder\*



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