ORDINANCE NO. <u>2015-534</u>		_		
SPONSOR Mr. Pry		_		
DATE December 1	4, 2015	COMMITTEE	Public Works	

An Ordinance amending Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Bridge Weight Limits", to remove a 20-ton load limit on the Coventry Road Bridge over Mud Run, located in the City of Barberton, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit entitled "Bridge Weight Limits," limits the gross weight of vehicles authorized to travel on certain bridges that are inspected by the County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, due to the recent removal of excess asphalt, the Engineer concludes that the 20-ton load limitation should be removed from the Coventry Road Bridge over Mud Run, located in the City of Barberton, in Council District 7; and

WHEREAS, the removal of a bridge load limit requires amendment of Section 339.12; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information that the acceptance and approval of the aforementioned amendment to Section 339.12 is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio, that;

#### SECTION 1

Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Bridge Weight Limits," is amended as follows:

# "339.12 BRIDGE WEIGHT LIMITS.

(a) No person shall operate any vehicle upon any of the following bridges, if such vehicle, the gross weight of which, exceeds the maximum load limit specified for each respective bridge:

	<u>Bridge</u>	Maximum Load Limit
(1)	Knox Boulevard Bridge (COP-305-0033)	22 tons
	over Pigeon Creek	
(2)	Riverview Road Bridge (AKR-227-0023)	25 tons
	over Furnace Run	
(3)	Wright Road Bridge (COP-206-0150)	40 tons
	over Pigeon Creek	
<del>(4)</del>	Coventry Road Bridge (BAR-017-0084)	<del>20 tons</del>
	over Mud Run	

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- (b) The County Engineer shall place and maintain, at both ends of each respective bridge, signs of substantial construction to conspicuously indicate the maximum weight limitations of vehicle and load as provided herein.
- (c) In addition to criminal prosecution for violation of this section, in case of any injury to any bridge by reason of the violation of the weight limitation, damages shall be recovered by civil action on behalf of the County.
- (d) Whoever violates any provision of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; on a second offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree; on each subsequent offense within one year after the second offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree."

## **SECTION 2**

This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to amend Section 339.12 to permit the return of a necessary bridge to full use.

## **SECTION 3**

Provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

#### **SECTION 4**

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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13 14	APPROVED_ December 15, 2015	
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Voice Vote: 8-0 YES: Comunale, Crawford, Donofrio, Kurt, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Shapiro
ABSENT: Feeman, Kostandaras, Lee