

1 ORDINANCE NO. 2018-283

2
3 SPONSOR Ms. Shapiro

4
5 DATE August 20, 2018

COMMITTEE Public Works

6
7 **An Ordinance amending Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of**
8 **Summit, entitled “Bridge Weight Limits”, to place a load limit on the Christman Road**
9 **Bridge over the Nimisila Reservoir, located in Green, Council District 8, and to place a load**
10 **limit on the West Bath Road Bridge over the Cuyahoga River, located in Akron, Council**
11 **District 4, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

12
13 WHEREAS, Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit entitled
14 “Bridge Weight Limits,” limits the gross weight of vehicles authorized to travel on certain
15 bridges that are inspected by the County Engineer; and

16
17 WHEREAS, due to a recent bridge inspection and load rating conducted by Arcadis U.S.
18 Inc., and Pennoni Associates, the Engineer concludes that a load limit should be placed on the
19 Christman Road Bridge over Nimisila Reservoir located in Green in Council District 8; and

20
21 WHEREAS, due to a recent bridge inspection conducted by Arcadis U.S. Inc., the
22 Engineer concludes that a load limit should be placed on the West Bath Road Bridge over the
23 Cuyahoga River located in Akron, in Council District 4; and

24
25 WHEREAS, the placement of the load limits requires the amendment of Section 339.12;
26 and

27
28 WHEREAS, this Council hereby finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent
29 information, that amending Section 339.12 for the aforementioned reason is necessary and in the
30 best interest of the County of Summit;

31
32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the County of Summit, State
33 of Ohio, that;

34
35 SECTION 1

36
37 Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled “Bridge
38 Weight Limits,” is amended as follows:

39
40 SECTION 2

41
42 **“339.12 BRIDGE WEIGHT LIMITS.**

43 (a) No person shall operate any vehicle upon any of the following bridges, if such vehicle,
44 the gross weight of which, exceeds the maximum load limit specified for each respective bridge:
45

Bridge	Maximum Load Limit
(1) Riverview Road Bridge (CUY-009-0870) over Furnace Run	25 tons
(2) Benner Road Bridge (FRA-236-0002) over Nimisila Creek	2 axles: 8 tons 3-axles: 9 tons 4-axles: 9 tons 5-axles: 9 tons 6 or more axles: 10 tons 5 axle semi-tractor trailer: 15 tons
(3) Medina Line Road Bridge (NTC-002-0071) over Mohler Ditch	2 axles: 15tons 3-axles: 19 tons 4-axles: 20 tons 5-axles: 23 tons 6 or more axles: 25 tons 5 axle semi-tractor trailer: 33 tons
(4) <u>Christman Road Bridge(GRT-239-0104)</u> <u>over Nimisila Reservoir</u>	<u>2-axles: 8 tons</u> <u>3-axles: 9 tons</u> <u>4-axles: 9 tons</u> <u>5-axles: 9 tons</u> <u>6 or axles: 10 tons</u> <u>5 axle semi-tractor trailer:15 tons</u>
(5) <u>West Bath Road Bridge (AKR-048-0615)</u> <u>Over Cuyahoga River</u>	<u>5 tons</u>

(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.”

1 ORDINANCE NO. 2018-283

2 PAGE THREE

3
4 SECTION 3

5
6 This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
7 welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to amend Section
8 339.12, allowing local officials to enforce a bridge load limit and keep Summit County motorists
9 safe.

10
11 SECTION 4

12
13 Provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take
14 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take
15 effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

16
17 SECTION 5

18
19 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
20 to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
21 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
22 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
23 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

24
25
26 INTRODUCED August 6, 2018


27
28
29 ADOPTED August 20, 2018

30
31 
32 _____
33 CLERK OF COUNCIL



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

34
35
36 APPROVED August 21, 2018

37
38 
39 _____
40 EXECUTIVE

41
42
43 August 21, 2018
44 ENACTED EFFECTIVE

Voice Vote: YES 11-0 - Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Hamilton, Koehler, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Soyars, Walters, Wilhite