OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Amending Section 2.3 of the Rules and Regulations
For the Control and Regulation of Traffic With Respect to
Speed of Vehicles on the Ohio Turnpike

WHEREAS the Commission by Resolution No. 155-1954 adopted Rules and Regulations for the Control and Regulation of Traffic on the Ohio Turnpike, which rules and regulations have from time to time been amended and supplemented;

WHEREAS the Commission adopted specific regulations with respect to speed, namely, Section 2.3, "Speed Regulations," of the aforesaid Rules and Regulations for the Control and Regulation of Traffic on the Ohio Turnpike, which speed regulations were amended by Resolution No. 8-1963;

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States has enacted legislation entitled, "Emergency Highway Energy Conservation Act," which sets a national speed limit of 55 miles per hour as of March 5, 1974, and requires the Secretary of Transportation of the United States to disapprove federal funds for any highway construction in any state wherein the laws do not conform to said limit; and

WHEREAS the Commission is authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 5537.16 to adopt rules and regulations for the control and regulation of traffic, including regulations with respect to speed, and the Commission desires that the speed limits on the Ohio Turnpike shall conform to national policy as established by said "Emergency Highway Energy Conservation Act";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that Section 2.3, "Speed Regulations," of the Rules and Regulations for the Control and Regulation of Traffic on the Ohio Turnpike as adopted by Resolution No. 155-1954 and amended by Resolution No. 8-1963, be, and the same hereby is repealed, such repeal to be effective as hereinafter provided;

FURTHER RESOLVED that Section 2.3, "Speed Regulations," be, and the same hereby is, adopted to read as follows:

"\$2.3 Speed Regulations

No person shall operate a truck, trailer, semi-trailer, commercial tractor, commercial passenger bus, school bus, or other motor vehicle upon the turnpike at a speed in excess of 55 miles per hour or at any lesser speed which is greater or less than is reasonable or proper, having due regard for the weather, traffic, surface, and any other conditions, and no person shall operate any motor vehicle upon the turnpike at a greater speed than will permit him to bring it to a stop within the assured clear distance ahead.

"No person shall operate a motor vehicle at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour on any interchange.

"No person shall operate a motor vehicle at a speed in excess of 20 miles per hour within any service plaza.

"Wherever a speed limit is posted, no person shall operate a motor vehicle within the posted area in excess of such posted speed limit.

"No person shall operate a motor vehicle on the turnpike at such a slow speed as to impede or block the normal and reasonable movement of traffic, except when such reduced speed is necessary for safe operation or when ordered to do so by a police officer."

FURTHER RESOLVED that said Section 2.3 as herein adopted, and the repeal of Section 2.3 of the Rules and Regulations for the Control and Regulation of Traffic on the Ohio Turnpike as heretofore in effect, be, and the same hereby are, declared to be effective at midnight of the tenth day following the filing hereof with the Secretary of State as provided by law; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that (1) general counsel shall cause the foregoing Section 2.3 as amended by the adoption hereof, together with a certified copy of this resolution repealing the said section as heretofore in force, to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State of Ohio; (2) he shall cause said regulation, as amended hereby, to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Franklin County, Ohio, and shall give such other notice thereof, if any, as he shall deem advisable; and (3) he shall mail a copy hereof to the Department of Highway Safety of the State of Ohio.

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