

ORDINANCE NO.145

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MILFORD, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, IMPOSING A THREE (3) TON WEIGHT RESTRICTION ON THE BRIDGE ON ROSENBERGER ROAD OVER THE MOLASSES CREEK JUST SOUTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF ROSENBERGER AND UMBREIT ROADS

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. 4902(a) provides that local authorities may prohibit the operation of vehicles and may impose restrictions as to the weight or size of vehicles operated upon a bridge when it is determined by conducting an engineering and traffic study that the bridge may be damaged or destroyed unless use by vehicles is prohibited or the permissible size or weight of vehicles is reduced;

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. 4902(a) further provides that school buses, emergency vehicles and vehicles making local deliveries or pickups may be exempted from imposed weight restrictions;

WHEREAS, Andersen Engineering & Associates, Milford Township Engineers, conducted an engineering and traffic study of the bridge on Rosenberger Road, a Township road, over the Molasses Creek just south of the intersection of Rosenberger and Umbreit Roads and found that due to the condition of the bridge, the maximum weight of a vehicle that should safely traverse the bridge is three (3) tons;

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. 4902(e) provides that the local authorities shall post weight limit restriction imposed via 75 Pa.C.S.A. 4902(a) on signs within twenty-five (25) feet of each end of the subject bridge;

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. 4902(g) provides for penalties for any person operating a vehicle upon the bridge in violation of a weight restriction imposed under 75 Pa.C.S.A. 4902(a); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Milford Township has the authority to impose weight restrictions pursuant to the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, that it has determined that in the best interests of the Township, its resident and the general public, that a weight restriction should be imposed on the bridge on Rosenberger Road over the Molasses Creek just south of the intersection of Rosenberger and Umbreit Roads in

accordance with the engineering and traffic study performed by the Township Engineer; that school buses, emergency vehicles and vehicles making local deliveries or pickups shall be exempt from the weight restriction; and that the imposed restriction should be posted pursuant to the requirements of Pennsylvania Vehicle Code.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, be it **ENACTED** and **ORDAINED** by the Board of Supervisors of Milford Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

1. The bridge on Rosenberger Road over the Molasses Creek just south of the intersection of Rosenberger and Umbreit Roads shall be restricted to vehicles with a maximum weight of three (3) tons, exempting from the weight restriction school buses, emergency vehicles and vehicles making local deliveries or pickups; and the weight restriction shall be posted according to PennDOT specifications on signs within twenty-five (25) feet of each end of the bridge.

2. Enforcement of this Ordinance shall be pursuant to the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code.

3. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days following its enactment.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of Milford Township this 6th day of February, 2007.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MILFORD TOWNSHIP

ATTEST:

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Jeffrey Vey, Manager

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Robert B. Mansfield, Chairman

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Charles Strunk, Vice Chairman

excused
Timothy Damiani, Member