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November 2, 2015

Hon. Governor Rick Snyder  
PO Box 30013  
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RE: City of Grandville Resolution Regarding Michigan Public Act 85 of 2006

Dear Governor Snyder:

Attached you will find a resolution approved by the Grandville City Council on October 26, 2015 encouraging the Governor and State Legislature to consider revisions to Michigan Public Act 85 of 2006.

In reviewing and considering adjustment of the speed limits on local public streets to comply with this Act, the City Council found that the Act relies exclusively on the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of vehicles on these roadways in establishing those limits. The Act, as written, gives no deference to the knowledge of local public officials of specific existing conditions on these streets that may be directly relevant to the establishment of appropriate vehicle speed limits. Examples of these conditions include the presence of adjacent schools, parks and playgrounds; the absence of sidewalks or narrow parkways on streets that do have sidewalks; and limitations to driver sight lines such as hills and curves, among others. This is a vehicle-centric approach that fails to take into consideration ALL users of these roadways – pedestrians of various abilities, cyclists and others – not just motor vehicles.

Providing reasonable flexibility for local units of government to consider local street conditions as they establish lawful speed limits would result in the safest possible complete streets. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kenneth D. Krombeen, City Manager  
City of Grandville

Cc: Senator Peter MacGregor  
Representative Rob VerHeulen  
Michigan Municipal League  
Grand Valley Metropolitan Council



**RESOLUTION NO. 3093**

**CITY OF GRANDVILLE  
COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN**

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Grandville, County of Kent, Michigan, duly called and held in the City Hall in said City, 3195 Wilson Avenue SW, on Monday, October 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. there were:

**PRESENT:** Council Members Cook, Gelderloos, Meringa, Pettijohn, Richter, Steenstra and Mayor Maas.

**ABSENT:** None

The following resolution was offered by Council Member Steenstra and seconded by Council Member Cook:

**A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE GOVERNOR  
AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO REVISE  
PUBLIC ACT 85 OF 2006**

**WHEREAS**, Michigan Public Act 85 of 2006 provides, in part, for the regulation and use of public streets and highways in the State of Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, this Act establishes prima facie speeds on Michigan public streets and highways; and

**WHEREAS**, this Act permits local units of government to establish lawful speed limits on certain public streets and highways under their jurisdiction; but

**WHEREAS**, this Act does not provide adequate flexibility for local units of government to use their knowledge of local street conditions as they establish lawful local speed limits; and

**WHEREAS**, such conditions can include the presence of schools and parks, the absence of sidewalks and limitations to driver sight lines such as hills and curves among others; and

**WHEREAS**, taking into account such conditions when establishing lawful local speed limits greatly increases safety for all users of the complete public street including drivers, pedestrians, cyclists and others.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the Grandville City Council wishes to encourage the Governor and State Legislature to consider potential revisions to Act 85 of 2006 to provide greater flexibility to local units of government in considering the establishment of lawful local speed limits.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that upon its passing, this Resolution shall be transmitted to Governor Rick Snyder; Representative Rob VerHeulen; Senator Peter MacGregor; the Michigan Municipal League; and the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council.

YEAS: Council Members Cook, Meringa, Pettijohn, Steenstra and Mayor Maas.

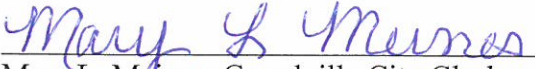
NAYS: Council Members Gelderloos and Richter

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution approved by the City Council of the City of Grandville, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on October 26, 2015 and that the meeting was conducted and public notice of the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, including the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by publication or posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for the meeting, and that the minutes of the meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by the Act.

Dated: October 27, 2015

  
Mary L. Meines, Grandville City Clerk

