

Resolution 41

WHEREAS, Resolution 6 of the Board of Supervisors of Sangamon County in regular session assembled on the 12th day of December, A.D., 1967 established a load limit of not to exceed fifteen (15) tons from January 15th to April 15th on all County Highways in Patrol #2; and,

WHEREAS, in 2019 Sangamon County began investigating seasonal weight postings for roadways in consultation with the Sangamon County Farm Bureau; and,

WHEREAS, Sangamon County has caused to be investigated at least 3 routes under seasonal posting and has a contract to study CH 40 – New City Road this Spring; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois is home to more than 71,000 farms, 1,083 of which are located in Sangamon County which produces the among the highest volume of corn and soybeans of any county in the nation as well as a diverse range of other grain, specialty crops and livestock; and

WHEREAS, farmers in Illinois comply with robust regulations involving state and federal agencies to ensure environmentally responsible practices as evidenced through data and information from state regulatory agencies that demonstrates environmental issues from agriculture are an extremely rare occurrence; and

WHEREAS, Sangamon County agriculture represents the largest land use in the county representing approximately 95 percent of total land area, provides for 7.3 percent of the property tax base and its related industries total economic impact is estimated at \$1.49 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, recent economic disruptions, labor shortages and supply chain challenges highlight the importance of a robust and resilient agriculture systems that Sangamon County farmers and their prime farmland support by providing economic well-being and food security in our communities; and

WHEREAS, agriculture in Sangamon County supports 4,925 jobs, representing an estimated 6 percent of total jobs in the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Sangamon County Board acknowledges the value of agriculture to our local economy and rural communities and continue support for the continued growth and development of agriculture within our county; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Sangamon County Highway Department will continue to work with engineering partners to perform annual weight limit studies on all current seasonal posted routes, beginning with a contract to study CH 40 – New City Road.

I, Don Gray, County Clerk in and for said County in the State of Illinois, and keeper of the records and files thereof, as provided by Statute, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, perfect and complete original of a RESOLUTION adopted by the County Board of Sangamon County at a meeting held on this 10th day of April, A.D., 2023.


I certify that the correct TIN/FEIN for Sangamon County is 37-6002039

Legal Status: Governmental.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at my office in Springfield in said County, this _____ day of April, A.D., 2023.

Chairman, Sangamon County Board

Respectfully submitted,

 _____, Chairman

Road and Bridge Committee

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