

**AMENDED ORDER LIMITING THE WEIGHT AND ESTABLISHING REGULATION
GOVERNING THE OPERATION OF VEHICLES ON AND OVER ROADS IN THE
GRIMES COUNTY ROAD MAINTENANCE NETWORK**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 5th day of June, 2024, the Grimes County Commissioners Court convened in a duly called and noticed meeting.

On May 8, 2017, the Grimes County Commissioners Court adopted a previous Order Limiting the Weight and Establishing Regulation Governing the Operation of Vehicles On and Over Roads in the Grimes County Road Maintenance Network. The Commissioners Court now desires to amend such Order:

I.

BE IT ORDERED by the County of Grimes, State of Texas, that no vehicle, or combination of vehicles, shall be operated on or over any road, bridge, or culvert which is maintained by Grimes County, with a gross weight greater than 34,000 pounds or with a weight greater than 10,000 pounds on one axle unless a permit is issued by the Texas Department of Transportation or Grimes County, Texas. The weight limitations of this section do not apply to emergency response vehicles that operate within the manufacturer's gross vehicle weight capacity or axle design. Grimes County shall determine vehicle weight by combining the gross weight of a vehicle, recorded on vehicle registration or manufacturer specifications, plus load ticket weight. If weight records cannot be provided by the vehicle operator, Grimes County shall reasonably determine the total weight of the vehicle and load.

II.

The Grimes County Commissioners Court may require a permit application fee, inspection fees, proof of commercial liability insurance, and/or a bond issued by a Texas company to be executed by a permit applicant in an amount sufficient to guarantee the payment of any damages to any road, bridge or culvert sustained due to the use thereof as provided by the permit pursuant hereto. The bond amount shall be set based on current anticipated cost to repair damage to roads to be used. The Grimes County Commissioners Court hereby delegates to the County Engineer the authority to approve the form and requirements of any permits issued pursuant hereto, approve/deny applications for such permits and to monitor and determine compliance with any such permits.

III.

It shall be unlawful and may constitute a criminal misdemeanor offense, for an individual person, corporation, business, or association to drive, operate, or move, or cause or permit to be driven, operated, or moved, on any county road a vehicle which in any respect exceeds the weight limitations set forth in Paragraph I above without holding a valid permit issued by Grimes County. Any individual person, corporation,

business, or association who violates this Order, or fails to comply with its provisions, shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine in any amount not to exceed \$500.00, and each and every violation of this Order shall constitute a separate and distinct offense hereunder.

IV.

All the provisions of this Order are hereby declared to be severable, and if any provision herein is judicially declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, such judicial declaration shall not invalidate or affect the remaining provisions of this Order which will remain in full force and effect.

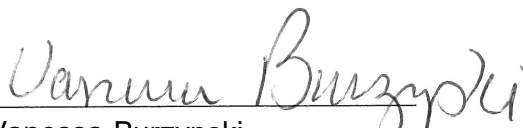
PASSED and ADOPTED on this 5th day of June, 2024.

GRIMES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



Joe Fauth III
Grimes County Judge

ATTEST



Vanessa Burzynski
Grimes County Clerk

Amended June 5th, 2024