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A RESOLUTION SEEKING RELIEF FROM THE FOLLOWING OFFICES TO MAKE THE ROADS AFFECTING THE VILLAGE OF LITHOPOLIS SAFER:

Ohio Department of Transportation
District 6 Headquarters
400 E. William St.
Delaware, OH 43015

Franklin County Engineer's Office
970 Dublin Rd.
Columbus, OH 43215

Fairfield County Engineer's Office
3026 W. Fair Ave.
Lancaster, OH 43130

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
111 Liberty St., Ste. 100
Columbus, OH 43215

WHEREAS, this Resolution concerns a section of Winchester-Southern Rd. (State Route 674), between Lithopolis Road to the north and Perrill Road to the south; and

WHEREAS, this Village Council has a particular safety concern regarding the intersection of the aforementioned roads and Elder Road/Elder Lane; and

WHEREAS, the southbound lanes of State Route 674 begin in Franklin County, Ohio, and continue into Pickaway County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the northbound lanes of State Route 674 are in Fairfield County, and Elder Road intersects in the Franklin County portion, and Elder Lane intersects directly across in the Fairfield County portion; and

WHEREAS, these roadways have seen an increase in vehicular traffic over the past five years as populations continue to migrate southeast beyond the I-270 boundary; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lithopolis has also seen a large increase in the commercial truck traffic that serves the area, and the shipping hub located in and around the Rickenbacker area has also caused a sharp increase in tractor-trailer traffic; and

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WHEREAS, significant line-of-sight issues that contribute to a high number of vehicle crashes at the intersection of State Route 674 and Elder Road/Lane, including high-speed crashes, causing personal injury and damage to state and county-owned property, as well as to private property, and:

WHEREAS, the confluence of these roads also creates a jurisdictional dilemma, requiring a simultaneous response, at times, from county agencies, municipal agencies, and township agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Lithopolis Village Council is requesting that the following upgrades and improvements be made;

ODOT:

1. Installation of solar flashing LED warning signs placed in both northbound and southbound directions approaching Elder that designate it as a dangerous intersection.
2. A reduction of the posted speed limit of 55MPH to 45MPH between this intersection and the Lithopolis Rd. intersection to the north. There are also several crashes at the State Route 674/Lithopolis Rd. intersection, and a speed limit reduction in this area may also reduce the number of crashes there, as well.
3. A reduction of the posted speed limit of 55MPH to 45MPH, south from the Franklin/Pickaway County line to Perril Rd. Lowering the speed limit in this area will contribute to fewer crashes.

Franklin County Engineer:

1. Installation of two solar LED stop signs placed at the intersection of Elder Rd. and Winchester-Southern Rd.
2. Installation of signage warning that cross traffic does not stop.
3. Rumble strips placed across the lane of travel approaching the intersection.
4. A reduction of the posted speed limit of 55MPH to 45MPH between the entrance to the Lithopolis Water Plant located at 5664 Elder Rd. and the intersection.

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Fairfield County Engineer:

1. Installation of two solar LED stop signs placed at the intersection of Elder Ln. and Winchester-Southern Rd.
2. Installation of signage warning that cross traffic does not stop.
3. Rumble strips placed across the lane of travel approaching the intersection.

Attest: Amanda Custin
Clerk

Signed: [Signature]
Mayor

Date: 2-12-19

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Approved as to form:
[Signature]
Village Solicitor