PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE PROHIBITING SMOKING ON COUNTY PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking on County Property was adopted at a duly held regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Grant County, Indiana, held on January 7, 2019. The ordinance will be effective after its publication herein, and the full text of the ordinance is set out below:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Grant County ("Board"), deems it appropriate to prohibit smoking on Grant County property; and

WHEREAS, Indiana law allows the Board the power to so prohibit such.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board as follows:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS.

County Property. Any and all real property (exclusive of public right of ways), structures, buildings, or vehicles owned, leased, or operated by Grant County, Indiana.

Person. An individual.

Smoke. Inhaling, exhaling, burning or carrying any lighted cigar, cigarette, weed, plant, or other lighted tobacco product or smoking equipment, including an e-cigarette.

Section 2. UNLAWFUL ACTIONS

It shall be unlawful for any Person to Smoke on or in all County Property including buildings and vehicles owned, operated or leased by Grant County. However, the Board may designate limited outdoor areas within County Property to permit a Person to Smoke. Such smoking areas will be clearly marked with a sign designating such as a smoking area.

Section 3. ENFORCEMENT.

This Ordinance shall be enforced by the Grant County Sheriff's Department.

Section 4. PENALTY.

Anyone found in violation of the conditions stated in this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine not exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for a first violation, a fine not exceeding Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for a second violation and a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each additional violation along with being responsible for the cost of any and all court costs and attorney's fees, if applicable to enforce this Ordinance. Each and every occurrence may be treated as a separate violation.

Section 5. REPEAL

The provisions of all other County ordinances in conflict with the provisions hereof, if any, are of no further force or effect and are hereby repealed.

Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Board and such publications as required by law. TNH 1/16, 1/23