ORDINANCE 3_-09

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF GOLF CARTS ON THE STREETS AND ALLEYS OF THE TOWN OF ORESTES AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER REQUIREMENTS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly adopted HB 1483 allowing the use of golf carts upon public thoroughfares within towns provided an ordinance is adopted authorizing the use and further allowing for other provisions and requiring that operators have valid driver's licenses and a minimum amount of financial responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Orestes does now desire to adopt such an ordinance and to include certain provisions relating to the equipping of golf carts and providing for an exception for the operation of a golf cart during official town festivals or for other town business.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of Orestes as follows:

SECTION ONE: A "golf cart" for purposes of this ordinance means a four (4) wheeled motor vehicle originally and specifically intended to transport a person(s) and golf clubs for the purpose of playing the game of golf upon a golf course.

SECTION TWO: The use of a golf cart upon the streets and alleys of the Town of Orestes is permitted, but subject to the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION THREE: A golf cart operated on the streets and alleys of the town shall at all times display either a slow moving vehicle emblem in accordance with IC 9-21-9-3 or a red or amber flashing lamp in accordance with IC 9-21-9-4.

SECTION FOUR: A golf cart may not be operated at any time between thirty (30) minutes before sunset and thirty (30) minutes after sunrise, without the display and use of lights on the front of the cart in such a manner as to clearly illuminate the public thoroughfare

immediately in front of the cart, and the display and use of red or amber lights on the back of the cart such as are clearly visible from the rear for a distance of not less than five hundred feet.

SECTION FIVE: No person shall operate a golf cart upon the streets and alleys of the town unless the person possesses a valid state issued driver's license.

SECTON SIX: A person shall not operate a golf cart on the streets and alleys within the town if the person does not possess and have in effect financial responsibility as set forth within IC 9-25-4-4, to-wit:

Minimum coverage:

- a. Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for bodily injury to or the death of one (1) individual;
- b. Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the bodily injury to or death of two (2) or more individuals in any one accident; and
- c. Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for damage to or the destruction of property in one accident.

<u>SECTION SEVEN</u>: The above provisions shall not apply to golf carts operated in connection to the town's annual Oak Tree Festival, other town festivals or functions, or for any other official business as authorized by the Clerk of the Town.

SECTION EIGHT: A person who violates this ordinance shall be fined the sum of not less than one hundred dollars, (\$100.00), nor more than twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500.00).

SECTION NINE: This ordinance shall be effective upon passage by the town council and publication as by law required.

SO ORDAINED by the Town Counc day of November, 2009.	il of the Town of Orestes, Indiana, on the <u>24</u>
	TOWN COUNCIL OF TOWN OF ORESTES BY President A. M. Wender Member
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