ORDINANCE NO. 3142

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING A CONSTRUCTION SPEED LIMIT OF TWENTY (20) MILES PER HOUR ON HICKORY TREE ROAD FROM NEW MARKET ROAD TO MILITARY PARKWAY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED (\$200.00) DOLLARS FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That there is hereby established a construction speed limit of twenty (20) miles per hour on Hickory Tree Road from New Market Road to Military Parkway. This ordinance is enacted by authority of the State of Texas Transportation Code, Section 545.356(b) which allows municipalities to alter speed limits when a roadway is under repair, construction, or maintenance. This speed limit will be enforced when signs are erected giving notice of the construction speed limit, and will expire when the construction is completed and signs have been removed.

SECTION 2. That should any paragraph, sentence, subdivision, clause, phrase, section or provision of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part so decided to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid and shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance, or any other ordinance of the City of Mesquite.

SECTION 3. That any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions or terms of this ordinance shall be deemed to be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and upon conviction in the Municipal Court shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars for each offense.

SECTION 4. The fact that the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite do not adequately protect the safety of the inhabitants of the City creates an urgency and emergency and in the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare requires that this ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its passage and the publication of caption, as the law in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 3rd day of March, 1997.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Ellen Williams

City Secretary

B.J. Smith

City Attorney