

ORDINANCE 7-1989

Offered by Mayor Waszak & Mr. Smith

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING SECTION 351.14 OF THE TRAFFIC CODE ENACTING REGULATIONS PROHIBITING PARKING IN DESIGNATED FIRE LANES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Richfield, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That Section 351.14 of the Traffic Code be enacted to read as follows:

"351.14 PARKING IN FIRE LANES.

(A) Any driveway that provides ingress or egress for the continuous flow of vehicular traffic, whether or not leading to or from parking areas, shall be considered a fire lane.

(B) Any driveway or portion of a parking area, whether on public or private property, that is determined to be an emergency fire lane by the Fire Chief of the Village of Richfield, and is posted as required by the Ohio Revised Code, Section 4511.681, shall be considered a fire lane.

(C) No person shall park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or a traffic control device, in any fire lane so as to obstruct the use of such fire lane by persons entitled thereto, except for the purpose and during the time reasonably necessary for loading and unloading goods or persons, but in no event to exceed 15 minutes.

(D) Provisions of this section are not applicable unless public or private property fire lanes are posted in a conspicuous manner, setting forth the prohibition of parking in such fire lane, the amount of fine for such violation, and stating that the violating vehicles will be towed at owner's expense.

(E) At the request of the property owner or his/her duly authorized agent, any vehicle found violating this section may be towed by the Richfield Village Police Department, at the expense of the owner of the vehicle provided that the owner of the

property, or his/her duly authorized agent agrees to indemnify and save harmless the Village of Richfield from all expenses, cost or liability for such action."

SECTION 2: This Ordinance is determined to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety for the reason to provide safety in fire lanes; and provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected or appointed, it shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date provided by law.

Passed: 2/7, 1989

David W. Howard
President of Council

Robert W. [Signature]
Mayor

Dated: 2/7/89

ATTEST:

Mary L. [Signature]
Clerk of Council