ORDINANCE NO. <u>2010-03</u> AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE USE OF GOLF CARTS OPERATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF WOLCOTT, INDIANA

WHEREAS, there has been an interest in use of golf carts to he operated on public streets, roads, alleys, and walkways within the Town of Wolcott, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council believes that in order to help preserve the health and safety of its citizens that it is necessary to regulate the use of golf carts operated on streets, roads, alleys and walkways within the Town limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WOLCOTT, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. For purposes of this Ordinance, a golf cart shall be included in the definition of a slow moving vehicle as the same is defined in LC. 9-21-9-1 as a "vehicle that is (1) pulled; (2) towed; (3) self-propelled; or (4) animal drawn; that is not under ordinary circumstances moved, operated, or driven at a speed greater than 25 miles per hour."

Section 2. In order to operate a golf cart on any street, alley, road, or walkway within the limits of the Town of Wolcott, a driver of such a golf cart must be a licensed driver under Indiana law and have such license on his or her person at all times during the operation of said golf cart.

Section 3. All golf carts must have insurance on said golf cart and have proof of such insurance in the golf cart at all times during the operation of said golf carts in the Town of Wolcott.

Section 4. All golf carts must display a red or amber flashing light at times when headlamps are necessary for other motor vehicles, which light must be visible from a distance of no less than 500 feet from the rear of the golf cart or vehicle. In addition, if said golf cart is operated at times when headlamps are necessary, said golf cart Θ must be equipped with both headlights and taillights that are in working order. In addition, all golf carts must be equipped with a rear view mirror.

Section 5. While operating said golf cart within the Town of Wolcott, any operator of the same must abide by all State traffic laws in the operation of said golf cart.

Section 6. All provisions of the Slow Moving Vehicle Statute of the State of Indiana found at LC. 9-21-9 shall be adhered to at all times by those operating a golf cart within the Town of Wolcott.

Section 7. Except as provided in Section 8 of this ordinance, any person who wishes to operate a golf cart in the Town of Wolcott must register the same with the Wolcott Town Marshall and pay a registration fee of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) on an annual basis and have attached to said golf cart a sticker or card provided by said Town noting said vehicle has been properly registered with the Town.

Section 8. The exception to Section 7 of this Ordinance regards the operation of a golf cart during and related to the Fourth of July celebration in the Town of Wolcott. No registration shall be required on said date each year for the operation of golf carts within the town limits of Wolcott, so long as such operation is related to the Fourth of July celebration in Wolcott.

Section 9. While in operation, such golf carts must carry no more passengers than such golf carts are equipped to handle, and all passengers must be seated at all times.

Section 10. Anyone violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$125.00) for a first violation, Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for a second violation in the same calendar year, and Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for a third violation in the same calendar year. In addition to such fines, the violators shall be responsible for all expenses and costs related to the prosecution and collection thereof, including, but not limited to court costs and the reasonable attorney's fees associated with same. If a person is cited for a violation of this Ordinance more than three (3) times in the same calendar year, the registration shall be revoked and said golf cart shall no longer be permitted to operate with the limits of the Town of Wolcott.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 15^{TH} day of June, 2010

TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF WOLCOTT, INDIANA

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ATTEST:/s/ Linda S. Bajzatt Linda S. Bajzatt, Clerk-Treasurer