ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, **TEXAS** PROHIBITING THE **PARKING** STANDING OR VEHICLES ON THE TRAVEL LANES, **IMPROVED** SHOULDERS, OR PAVED TURN LANES OF CERTAIN PORTIONS OF STATE HIGHWAY 6 AND OF WEST FREDRICK STREET, PROVIDING FOR THE ERECTION OF SIGNS, DECLARING VIOLATION AN OFFENSE, PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY, REPEALING **CONFLICTING** ORDINANCES, **PROVIDING** FOR PUBLICATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 542, Subchapter B of the Transportation Code, the City Council of the City of Riesel has authority to enact an ordinance or ordinances regulating the standing or parking of a vehicle on State Highway 6, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is likewise authorized to pass regulations regarding standing or parking of vehicles on its own streets, and

WHEREAS, the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Riesel and the traveling public would be best served by the enactment of this Ordinance,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, McLENNAN COUNTY, TEXAS that:

- 1. No person shall park or leave standing an attended or unattended vehicle, or any portion of an attended or unattended vehicle, on the travel lanes, improved shoulders or paved turn lanes of State Highway 6 within the City limits of the City of Riesel at the following locations:
 - A. From the North City Limits sign South 940 feet (SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC);
 - B. 445 feet North of Fredrick Street to 445 feet South of Fredrick Street (SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC); and
 - C. From Charles Street to Adams Street (NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC).

- 2. No person shall park or leave standing an attended or unattended vehicle, or any portion thereof, on the travel lanes, improved shoulders or paved turn lanes of West Fredrick Street between Northbound Highway 6 and Southbound Highway 6.
- 3. Violation of this Ordinance shall be an offense (misdemeanor) punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00. It shall be a defense to prosecution under this Ordinance that the vehicle is disabled due to mechanical failure and it is impossible to avoid standing and leaving the vehicle temporarily in a prohibited area, or where a medical emergency has resulted in the necessity of temporary parking or standing of a vehicle in a prohibited area. Furthermore, emergency response vehicles and law enforcement vehicles are exempted from this Ordinance
- 4. The Chief of Police is directed to erect the necessary signs prohibiting the parking or standing of vehicles as set forth above. Said signs must meet Texas Department of Transportation Standards and be located in coordination with the Texas Department of Transportation when placed in State right-of-way.
- 5. This Ordinance shall operate to repeal any provisions of any other ordinance, or portions thereof, to the extent such are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance.
- 6. If any section, subsection, sentence or clause of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or unlawful, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, and all the remainder of this Ordinance not so declared to be invalid shall continue to be in full force and effect.
- 7. The City Secretary is directed to publish this Ordinance in the official City newspaper, and this Ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication.

8. T	he fact that	parking or st	tanding	vehicles	in the manner	prohibited	herein	creates a
significant danger to the traveling public and interferes with travel creates an urgent necessity requiring								
that this Ordinance be passed without the necessity of any further proceedings thereon.								
ENACTED BY THE RIESEL CITY COUNCIL on this 15+ day of May,								
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CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS

Mayor

ATTEST:

by a vote of _____ AYES to _____ NAYS.

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