## **RESOLUTION 2022-21**

A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Leavenworth County, Kansas, implementing a procedure pursuant To K.S.A 8-2010 for the designation of necessary Emergency Vehicles Operating within Leavenworth County, Kansas.

WHEREAS, The legislature of the State Of Kansas did amend K.S.A. 8-2010 to require that the designation of all emergency vehicles be made by the Board of County Commissioners of the respective counties of the State of Kansas, and

WHERAS, The operation of emergency vehicles is necessary and appropriate for the preservation of life and property in execution of emergency governmental functions, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of Leavenworth County, Kansas, that a procedure be designated to the Sheriff's Office by the Leavenworth County Board of County Commissioners to authorize emergency vehicle training, testing and verification and to provide to the owners and operators of such emergency vehicles assistance in complying with state and local traffic rules and regulations while operating such emergency vehicles.

## **BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:**

- That all vehicles owned and operated within Leavenworth County, Kansas, which have received, from the secretary of revenue, Division of Motor Vehicles, the designation as an Emergency Vehicle are eligible to utilized as emergency vehicles;
- 2. That the owners and operator of each such vehicle desiring to be designated as an emergency vehicle shall, apply for a designation as an emergency vehicle, shall apply for a designation as an emergency vehicle by submitting an application for such designation to the Leavenworth County Sheriff's Office, Leavenworth County, Kansas. Said applications may be obtained through the Sheriff's Office, Leavenworth County, Kansas, and shall be returned to said office.

The application shall request such information as Sheriff's Office deems necessary to make a determination as to whether or not a vehicle be designated as an emergency vehicle for the preservation of life or property or to the execution of emergency governmental functions. All applicants shall further complete a course of instruction and examination regarding the operation of emergency vehicles and all the rules of the road as determined to be appropriate by the Sheriff's Office.

3. The Sheriff's Office shall maintain a record of all vehicles designated as an emergency vehicle and shall provide to such owners and operators of said vehicles a registration card to that effect which shall be placed in the emergency vehicles at all times that such vehicle is being operated as an emergency vehicle. The owner /and or operator of such vehicle shall be required to provide to any law enforcement officer the registration showing the designation of the vehicle as an emergency vehicle and the operators authority to operate such vehicle.

- 4. That no person shall, either operate, or cause to be operated in Leavenworth County, Kansas, any vehicle which uses either lighting equipment or sound equipment that would indicate that it is an emergency vehicle without having obtained from the Sheriff's Office designation of such vehicle as an emergency vehicle. Further, no person shall operate an emergency vehicle, , who has not complied with the application procedures set forth herein and who has not successfully passed any examination designated by the Sheriff's Office as necessary and appropriate training prior to the operation of any vehicle as an emergency vehicle.
- 5. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from the date of its publication in the official county newspaper.

Adopted and dated this 21st day of September 2022, and signed by the Board of County Commissioners.

absent

Mike Smith, Chairman

4th District

Vicky Kaaz, Member

2<sup>nd</sup> District

Mike Stieben, Member

5<sup>th</sup> District

Attest:

s/ Janet Klasinski, Leavenworth County Clerk

Jeff Culbertson, Member

1st District

Doug Smith, Member

3<sup>rd</sup> District