

CANADA  
PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC  
HULL DISTRICT

## MUNICIPALITY OF PONTIAC

R.C.M. OF THE COLLINES-DE-L'OUTAOUAIS

### **BY-LAW NO. 11-03**

#### **CONCERNING HEAVY VEHICLES TRAVELLING ON A BRIDGE OR A VIADUCT**

WHEREAS it is necessary to control heavy vehicles travelling on the bridge or viaduct (overpass) infrastructures to which their maintenance is under the municipality's responsibility in order to ensure the security of citizens and to protect these structures;

WHEREAS article 291 of the Road Safety Act (L.R.Q., c. C-24.2) allows the municipality, with a by-law, to exert the power of restricting or prohibiting the travelling of heavy vehicles on a bridge or viaduct whose net mass exceeds the maximum authorized limits for travelling on these infrastructures;

WHEREAS a notice of motion has been duly given of this article by council *William Twolan* at a regular council meeting on November 11, 2003;

CONSEQUENTLY, it is

Moved by Harrold McKenny

Seconded by Jim Coyle

AND RESOLVED by this present by-law, that the following is ordered and ruled :

#### **ARTICLE 1**

In the present by-law, we understand by :

« heavy vehicle » a road vehicle or a combination of road vehicles under the Road Safety Act, to which the net mass is above 3,000 kg.

#### **ARTICLE 2**

Travelling of heavy vehicles is prohibited when its' total mass when loaded, exceeds the authorized load limits on a bridge or viaduct as described in appendix « A », except if the vehicle is used by virtue of a special permit which expressly authorizes the access to a road with this vehicle.

#### **ARTICLE 3**

A heavy vehicle travelling, when its' load on axle or its' total mass when loaded, exceeds the limits foreseen in the By-law on load and dimension standards applicable to road vehicles and to a combination of road vehicles (decree 1299-91 on September 18, 1991) is prohibited on a bridge or viaduct (see Appendix A), except if the road vehicle is authorized to travel in virtue of a special class 6 permit issued in accordance with the By-law on special travelling permits (decree 1444-90 on October 3, 1990) or a special permit affected by article 633 of the Road Safety Act.

#### **ARTICLE 4**

These prohibitions are indicated by road signs foreseen in the By-law on road signage (minister's order on June 15, 1999).

#### **ARTICLE 5**

Whoever contravenes to article 2 commits an offence and is punishable by a fine foreseen in article 315.2 of the Road Safety Act.

#### **ARTICLE 6**

Whoever contravenes to article 3 commits an offence and is punishable by a fine foreseen in paragraph 6 of article 517.1 of the Road Safety Act.

#### **ARTICLE 7**

The present by-law will come into effect as soon as it is approved by the Minister of Transport according to dispositions of articles 291 and 627 of the Road Safety Act.

GIVEN IN PONTIAC (QUEBEC), this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.

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Sylvain Bertrand  
Secretary Treasurer

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R. Bruce Campbell  
Mayor