DOUGLAS COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Harvey Tewes  
FROM: Chris Karpan  
DATE: June 20, 2001  
RE: New Exhibition Driving Ordinance

State statute provides that a conglomeration of county ordinances needs to be kept in your office. Accordingly, I am forwarding to you the original Douglas County Exhibition Driving Ordinance that was approved on June 13, 2001, and will be effective July 1, 2001. I will forward to you proof of publication that must be placed with this ordinance when I receive that. Please give me a call if you have any questions.

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DOUGLAS COUNTY EXHIBITION DRIVING ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Douglas County finds that it is important to enact an ordinance that specifically covers driving conduct not specified in Minnesota State Statutes for reasons of public safety and the general public welfare:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Douglas County Board of Commissioners does hereby ordain:

SECTION I. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the Exhibition Driving Ordinance.

SECTION II. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish certain rules and regulations governing driving conduct in the County of Douglas.

SECTION III. JURISDICTION. The rules and regulations set forth in this Ordinance shall govern on all lands and frozen lakes in Douglas County, both public and private, that lie outside of the boundaries of any city.

SECTION IV. PROHIBITED CONDUCT. No person shall turn, accelerate, decelerate, or otherwise drive a motor vehicle in a manner which causes unnecessary engine noise or backfire, squealing of tires, skidding, sliding, swaying, throwing of sand or gravel, or in a manner simulating a race. Squealing or screeching sounds emitted by tires or the throwing of sand or gravel by the tires is prima facia evidence of a violation of this section.

SECTION V. ENFORCEMENT. Licensed peace officers within their jurisdiction or acting within the scope of their duties may enforce the terms of this Ordinance.

SECTION VI. VIOLATIONS. Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $1,000.00 and/or by imprisonment not exceeding 90 days. These penalties are in addition to any other remedy or action available at law or as a matter of right to Douglas County.

SECTION VII. APPLICABLE LAW/SEVERABILITY. The validity, performance, interpretation and enforcement of this Ordinance shall be governed
by the laws of the State of Minnesota. If any provision of this Ordinance, or portion thereof, shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and each provision of this Ordinance shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

SECTION VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect July 1, 2001

DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS

Dated June 13, 2001

By: ____________________________
Arlan Kakac, Acting Chairperson

Attest: ____________________________
William B. Schalow, County Coordinator