

*A resolution to establish a preference for the use of flex-fueled vehicles and gasohol in County purchases.*

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WHEREAS, the Alternative Fuels Act approved by the Illinois General Assembly and signed into law by the Governor of this State established it to be the policy of this State to promote and encourage the use of alternative fuels in motor vehicles in order to improve the quality of the air in the State; and

WHEREAS, the County Board recognizes that the use of ethanol as a component in alternative fuels serves also the salutary purpose of fostering the continued growth and development of new markets for the use of agricultural products of this State and County; and

WHEREAS, the County Board finds it to be in the best interests of the people and the economy of this County that the County Board encourage through the means provided herein the use of flex-fueled vehicles and gasohol in motor vehicles operated by the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF CARROLL COUNTY THAT THE CARROLL COUNTY CODE BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE AS FOLLOWS:

Section A. The Carroll County Code is hereby amended to establish a new Chapter 90, which shall provide as follows.

#### Chapter 90

#### COMPETITIVE BIDDING

##### Sec. 90-1 Competitive Bidding Required.

(a) Purchases or leases made with county funds in excess of \$10,000.00 (value of trade-ins to be included in purchase price) which are subject to competitive bidding under state law shall be by sealed bids. All bids which exceed \$10,000.00 shall be reviewed by the Board, even if allowed in the budget.

(b) Except as to bidding being conducted for the Highway Department under the direction of the Highway Committee, all public bidding documents shall be reviewed by the State's Attorney Committee and all bids shall be made deliverable to the County

Clerk who shall maintain them in a sealed condition until opened at lawful public meeting.

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90-2 Alternative Fuels.

(a) All bids let for the purchase or lease of motor vehicles with funds of Carroll County shall specify that the vehicles be "flexible fueled vehicles" engineered and designed, or converted in accordance with Illinois Administrative Code Title 35, Part 241, Sections 241.113(e) and 241.114 unless the County Board shall find that such vehicles cannot reasonably meet the needs of the County whether due to cost or otherwise.

(b) All bids for the purchase of motor vehicle fuel with funds of Carroll County shall specify that bids include "gasohol" which is made of no more than 90% gasoline and at least 10% denatured ethanol that contains no more than 1.25% water by weight. No such bid shall be rejected solely because it is for the provision of gasohol rather than gasoline unless the County Board finds that the purchase of gasohol is contrary to the best interests of the people and economy of the County.

Section B. Section 20-16 of the Carroll County Code is stricken in its entirety.

Passed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D. 2000 by the County Board of Carroll County.

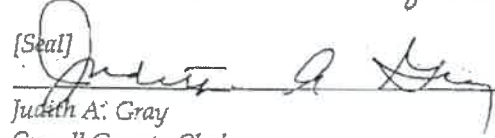
  
Chairman

State of Illinois       )  
                                  ) ss.  
County of Carroll     )

I, Judith A. Gray, County Clerk for Carroll County, State of Illinois, keeper of the records and files thereof in accordance with law, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution was passed by the Carroll County Board at its regular monthly meeting held at Mt. Carroll, Illinois and the date aforesaid in accordance with law.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal at my office at Mt. Carroll, Illinois this 17 day of August, A.D. 2000.

[Seal]

  
Judith A. Gray  
Carroll County Clerk