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From: Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 22 October 2003

Proposed resolution under the Western Harbour Crossing Ordinance

I forward for Members' consideration a proposed resolution which the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works will move at the Council meeting of 22 October 2003 under the Western Harbour Crossing Ordinance. The President has directed that "it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in" on the Agenda of the Council.

2. The draft speech, in both English and Chinese versions, which the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works will deliver when moving the proposed resolution, is also attached.

(Ray CHAN) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

WESTERN HARBOUR CROSSING ORDINANCE

RESOLUTION

(Under section 32 of the Western Harbour Crossing Ordinance (Cap. 436))

RESOLVED that the Western Harbour Crossing (Amendment)

Bylaw 2003, made by the Western Harbour Tunnel

Company Limited on 30 September 2003, be approved.

(Made by the Western Harbour Tunnel Company Limited under section 32 of the Western Harbour Crossing Ordinance (Cap. 436) subject to the approval of the Legislative Council)

1. Commencement

This Bylaw shall come into operation on 1 November 2003.

2. Speed limit

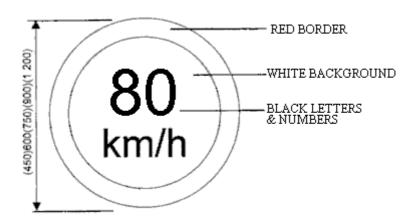
Section 7 of the Western Harbour Crossing Bylaw (Cap. 436 sub. leg. D) is amended by repealing "or Figure No. 7" and substituting ", Figure No. 7 or Figure No. 7A".

3. Schedule amended

The Schedule is amended -

- (a) in Figure No. 6, by adding after the first sentence of the note "THE SIGN MAY BE USED WITHOUT THE LETTERS
 "km/h".";
- (b) in Figure No. 7, by adding after the first sentence of the note "THE SIGN MAY BE USED WITHOUT THE LETTERS "km/h".";

"FIGURE NO. 7A



SPEED LIMIT

THIS SIGN INDICATES THAT A SPEED LIMIT OF 80 KM PER HOUR IS IMPOSED ON THE SECTION OF THE ROAD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SIGN.

THE SIGN MAY BE USED WITHOUT THE LETTERS "km/h".

THE SIGN MAY BE ERECTED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ROAD AND/OR ON A CENTRAL RESERVATION IN THE CASE OF A DUAL CARRIAGEWAY AT THE START OF A RESTRICTION FACING ONCOMING TRAFFIC.

THE 450 MM SIZED SIGN MAY ALSO BE ERECTED AT INTERVALS ALONG THE ROAD TO REMIND MOTORISTS OF THE SPEED LIMIT IN FORCE.".

Made by the Western Harbour Tunnel Company Limited this day of 30 September 2003.

Signed by under the Common Seal of The Company

Western Harbour Tunnel Company Limited

Explanatory Note

This Bylaw amends the Western Harbour Crossing Bylaw (Cap. 436 sub. leg. D) to relax the speed limit inside the conduits of the Western Harbour Crossing from 70 km per hour to 80 km per hour.

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SPEECH BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT AND WORKS AT THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON 22 OCTOBER 2003

WESTERN HARBOUR CROSSING (AMENDMENT) BYLAW 2003

Resolution made under section 32 of the Western Harbour Crossing Ordinance

Madam President,

I move that the resolution as set out under my name on the Agenda be passed.

- 2. The resolution seeks to relax the speed limit inside the conduits of the Western Harbour Crossing from 70km per hour to 80 km per hour. Such relaxation will reduce the number of speed changes along the route between Central and the West Kowloon Highway via the Western Harbour Crossing which would help improve the efficiency of the relevant roads and enhance road safety.
- 3. The Legislative Council Panel on Transport, the Transport Advisory Committee, the Hong Kong Automobile Association and the Institute of Advanced Motorists Hong Kong have been consulted on the proposed relaxation and they are supportive of the proposal. Subject to Member's approval of the resolution, the proposed relaxation will take effect from 1 November 2003.
- 4. Madam President, I beg to move.

Environment, Transport and Works Bureau September 2003