

THE CITY OF WARWICK
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

NO..... DATE.....

APPROVED.....MAYOR

**RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO PLACING A YIELD SIGN ON NEW YORK AVENUE
AT THE INTERSECTION OF MICHIGAN AVENUE**

Resolved that,

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Warwick are matters of paramount importance to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the City Council that a dangerous situation exists at the intersection of New York Avenue and Michigan Avenue; and

WHEREAS, a traffic survey was conducted by the Police Department which recommended that a yield sign be placed on New York Avenue to control the traffic entering the intersection with Michigan Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, by virtue of the authority of Chapter 76 Article 1 Section 76-13 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Warwick, may determine that certain traffic signs are required for the protection of the public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of Public Works is hereby directed to place a yield sign on New York Avenue to control the traffic entering the intersection with Michigan Avenue.

The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Director of Public Works and the Chief of the Police Department.

This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN HOWE

COMMITTEE: HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE



Warwick Police Department
Incident Report

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Incident #: 17-6125-OF
Call #: 17-73089

Date/Time Reported: 12/13/2017 1341
Report Date/Time: 12/13/2017 1348
Occurred Between: 12/09/2017 0900-12/13/2017 0700
Status: No Crime Involved

Reporting Officer: Officer John Curley
Approving Officer: Sergeant John Kelly, Jr.

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

EVENTS(S)

LOCATION TYPE: Highway/Road/Alley/Street Zone: RD 310 (POST 11)
33 MICHIGAN AVE @ 115 NEW YORK AVE
WARWICK RI

1 Traffic Survey

2017-34

I, Officer Curley of the Warwick Police Department Traffic Division was assigned this traffic survey per the request of Councilman Howe. The main area of concern was that motorists in the area of whom are not residents wouldn't recognize they are merging into a major thruway from New York Ave on Michigan Ave.

I responded to the intersection of Michigan Ave and New York Ave. Vehicles traveling from New York Ave westbound are forced to turn right down Michigan Ave due to it being a one way roadway. Michigan Ave ultimately leads to Lincoln Ave which is a cut through between two large roadways in the city Jefferson Blvd and Post Rd.

I consulted the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices manual (MUTCD). The manual identifies a yield sign as being that which assigns right of way traffic on certain approaches to an intersection and vehicles controlled by a yield sign need to slow down to a speed that is reasonable or stop when necessary to avoid interfering with conflicting traffic. It also makes note that a yield sign is ideal when a full stop of traffic is determined to be unnecessarily restrictive.

After reviewing the manual as well as the location in question (New York Ave @ Michigan Ave) it is my recommendation that a yield sign be placed at the corner of New York Ave @ Michigan Ave. This will serve as a notice to motorists, that there is on coming traffic and to proceed with caution or come to a stop if necessary to allow traffic traveling northbound on Michigan Ave the right of way.