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**ROADWAY: 1300 Block Highland Avenue** 

**SPEED SURVEY** 

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**INITIAL COMPLAINT:** The Traffic Safety Unit conducted this survey based on complaints that were received from a resident through Commissioner Spiegelman.

**DESCRIPTION OF AREA:** Highland Ave. is a two lane roadway posted at 25 MPH. It is two lanes, one north and one south. It intersects Woodland Rd. to the south and Keith Rd. to the north. It is located in the Abington section of Abington Township. There are residential homes on the east and west bound sides of the street.

**INFORMATION GATHERING METHOD:** Speed survey was conducted with a RADAR TRAFFIC COUNTER. The counter is attached to a pole and uses radar to record traffic volume and speed data. Crash data was obtained from the closest two intersections (Woodland Rd. and Keith Rd.) for the past 5 years. Crash data showed two crashes at Woodland Rd. and one crash at Keith Rd. over the 5-year period. One crash at Woodland Rd. required NO REPORT and the other was a rear end crash due to a driver being distracted. The Keith Rd. crash was caused by a turning vehicle striking a bicyclist. None of the crashes had speed as a contributing factor.

**FACTORS:** The speed of the vehicles using this section of Highland Ave. showed that 1.0 % of the traffic met the criteria for enforcement. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed for this section of Highland Ave. was 30 MPH. 13517 vehicles were monitored in this survey.

**ANALYSIS:** At this time, speeding does not seem to be an issue on this section of Highland Ave. The average speed was 26 MPH. Based on the analysis; the roadway appears to be appropriately posted.

**RCOMMENDATIONS:** The TSU will monitor the area for changes and as time and equipment are available will utilize portable speed signs to make motorists more aware of their speed.

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