



February 23, 2026

Hamburg Township Board of Trustees
P.O. Box 157
Hamburg, Michigan 48139

Dear Members of the Board:

In February 2006 the Hamburg Township Board adopted a resolution recognizing the Hamburg Enhanced Recreation Organization (H.E.R.O.) as a Township volunteer organization and supporting their efforts as a community non-profit organization dedicated to creating opportunities to attract local and area-wide support for recreation and the community as a whole. This year H.E.R.O. will be hosting the 20th Annual Hamburg Family Fun Fest which is scheduled from June 17th through June 20th, 2026 at Bennett Park.

Given the number and types of events including fireworks shows, petting zoo, amusement rides, etc., at the Fun Fest it is anticipated that this event will draw participants to the area; more particularly to both East and West Bennett Park. With a speed limit of 55 mph on Merrill Road, it could potentially cause a safety issue to pedestrians crossing to reach the events taking place at East and West Bennett Park. We respectfully request that the Hamburg Township Board petition the Livingston County Road Commission to reduce the speed limit on Merrill Road between M-36 and Strawberry Lake Road (through Manly Bennett Park) from the current 55 mph to 35 mph during the Hamburg Family Fun Fest as has been done for the past 19 years.

H.E.R.O. appreciates your support to make this event a huge success for the community.

Sincerely,

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H.E.R.O. President
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