

Exhibit “A”

CHAPTER 505 Animals and Fowl

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505.001 DEFINITIONS.

As used in this chapter unless otherwise specifically provided herein:

- (a) (1) “Dangerous dog” means a dog that, without provocation, and subject to subsection (a)(2) hereof has done any of the following:
 - A. Caused injury, other than killing or serious injury, to any person;
 - B. Killed another dog;
 - C. Been the subject of a third or subsequent violation of Section [505.01\(c\)](#).
- (2) “Dangerous dog” does not include a police dog that has caused injury, other than killing or serious injury, to any person or has killed another dog while the police dog is being used to assist one or more law enforcement officers in the performance of their official duties.
- (b) “Menacing fashion” means that a dog would cause any person being chased or approached to reasonably believe that the dog will cause physical injury to that person.
- (c) (1) Subject to subsection (c)(2) hereof, “nuisance dog” means a dog that without provocation and while off the premises of its owner, keeper or harbinger has chased or approached a person in either a menacing fashion or an apparent attitude of attack or has attempted to bite or otherwise endanger any person.
- (2) “Nuisance dog” does not include a police dog that while being used to assist one or more law enforcement officers in the performance of official duties has chased or approached a person in either a menacing fashion or an apparent attitude of attack or has attempted to bite or otherwise endanger any person.
- (d) “Police dog” means a dog that has been trained, and may be used, to assist one or more law enforcement officers in the performance of their official duties.
- (e) “Serious injury” means any of the following:
 - (1) Any physical harm that carries a substantial risk of death;
 - (2) Any physical harm that involves a permanent incapacity, whether partial or total, or a temporary, substantial incapacity;
 - (3) Any physical harm that involves a permanent disfigurement or a temporary, serious disfigurement;
 - (4) Any physical harm that involves acute pain of a duration that results in substantial suffering or any degree of prolonged or intractable pain.
- (f) (1) “Vicious dog” means a dog that, without provocation and subject to subsection (f)(2) hereof has killed or caused serious injury to any person.
- (2) “Vicious dog” does not include either of the following:
 - A. A police dog that has killed or caused serious injury to any person while the police dog is being used to assist one or more law enforcement officers in the performance of their official duties;
 - B. A dog that has killed or caused serious injury to any person while a person was committing or attempting to commit a trespass or other criminal offense on the property of the owner, keeper or harbinger of the dog.
- (g) “Without provocation” means that a dog was not teased, tormented or abused by a person, or that the dog was not coming to the aid or the defense of a person who was not engaged in illegal or criminal activity and who was not using the dog as a means of carrying out such activity. (ORC 955.11)

505.01 DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE.

- (a) No person being the owner or having charge of cattle, horses, swine, sheep, geese, ducks, goats, turkeys, chickens or other fowl or animals shall permit them to run at large upon any public place, or upon any unenclosed lands or upon the premises of another.
(ORC 951.02)
- (b) No owner, keeper or harbinger of any female dog shall permit it to go beyond the premises of the owner, keeper or harbinger at any time the dog is in heat, unless the dog is properly in leash.
- (c) No owner, keeper, or harbinger of any dog shall fail at any time to do either of the following:
 - (1) Keep the dog physically confined or restrained upon the premises of the owner, keeper, or harbinger by a leash, tether, adequate fence, supervision, or secure enclosure to prevent escape.
 - (2) Keep the dog under the reasonable control of some person.
(ORC 955.22)
- (d) The running at large of any such animal in or upon any of the places mentioned in this section is prima-facie evidence that it is running at large in violation of this section.
(ORC 951.02)

(e) Strict liability is intended to be imposed for a violation of this section.
(Ord. 2004-043. Passed 7-26-04.)

505.02 IMPOUNDING AND DISPOSITION; RECORDS.

(a) A police officer or animal warden may impound every animal or dog found in violation of Section [505.01](#). If the dog is not wearing a valid registration tag and the owner is not otherwise reasonably determined, notice shall be posted in the pound or animal shelter both describing the dog and place where seized and advising the unknown owner that unless the dog is redeemed within three days, it may thereafter be sold or destroyed according to law. If the dog is wearing a valid registration tag or the identity of the owner, keeper or harbinger is otherwise reasonably determined, notice shall be given by certified mail to such owner, keeper or harbinger that the dog has been impounded and unless redeemed within fourteen days of the date of notice, it may thereafter be sold or destroyed according to law. Any dog seized and impounded may be redeemed by its owner, keeper or harbinger at any time prior to the applicable redemption period upon payment of all lawful costs assessed against the animal and upon providing the dog with a valid registration tag if it has none.

(b) A record of all dogs impounded, the disposition of the same, the owner's name and address where known, and a statement of any costs assessed against the dog shall be kept by any pound keeper.

505.03 ANNUAL REGISTRATION OF DOGS; TAGS REQUIRED.

(a) Except for guide dogs registered under Ohio R.C. 955.011 and dogs kept by an institution or organization for teaching and research purposes under Ohio R.C. 955.16, no person shall own, keep or harbor a dog more than three months of age without annually registering such dog with the County Auditor. Failure of any dog at any time to wear a valid registration tag shall be prima-facie evidence of lack of registration and subject such dog to impounding and disposition as provided by Ohio R.C. 955.16.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for a first offense and a misdemeanor of the fourth degree for each subsequent offense.
(ORC 955.99(D)).

505.04 ABANDONING ANIMALS.

(a) No owner or keeper of a dog, cat or other domestic animal shall abandon such animal. (ORC 959.01)

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree on a first offense and a misdemeanor of the first degree on each subsequent offense.
(ORC 959.99)

505.05 KILLING OR INJURING ANIMALS.

(a) No person shall maliciously, or willfully, and without the consent of the owner, kill or injure a farm animal, dog, cat or other domestic animal that is the property of another. This section does not apply to a licensed veterinarian acting in an official capacity, or to trespassing animals as set forth in Ohio R.C. 959.04.
(ORC 959.02)

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree. If the value of the animal killed or the injury done amounts to three hundred dollars (\$300.00) or more, such person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. (ORC 959.99(B))

505.06 POISONING ANIMALS.

(a) No person shall maliciously, or willfully and without the consent of the owner, administer poison, except a licensed veterinarian acting in such capacity, to a farm animal, dog, cat, poultry or other domestic animal that is the property of another; and no person shall, willfully and without the consent of the owner, place any poisoned food where it may be easily found and eaten by any of such animals, either upon his own lands or the lands of another. This section does not apply to trespassing animals as set forth in Ohio R.C. 959.04.
(ORC 959.03)

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. (ORC 959.99(C))

505.07 CRUELTY TO ANIMALS GENERALLY.

(a) No person shall:

(1) Torture an animal, deprive one of necessary sustenance, unnecessarily or cruelly beat, needlessly mutilate or kill, or impound or confine an animal without supplying it during such confinement with a sufficient quantity of good wholesome food and water;

(2) Impound or confine an animal without affording it, during such confinement, access to shelter from wind, rain, snow or excessive direct sunlight if it can reasonably be expected that the animal would otherwise become sick or in some other way suffer. This subsection (a)(2) does not apply to animals impounded or confined prior to slaughter. For the purpose of this section, "shelter" means a man-made enclosure, windbreak, sunshade or natural windbreak or sunshade that is developed from the earth's contour, tree development or vegetation;

(3) Carry or convey an animal in a cruel or inhuman manner;

(4) Keep animals other than cattle, poultry or fowl, swine, sheep or goats in an enclosure without wholesome exercise and change of air, nor feed cows on food that produces impure or unwholesome milk;

(5) Detain livestock in railroad cars or compartments longer than twenty-eight hours after they are so placed without supplying them with necessary food, water and attention, nor permit such livestock to be so crowded as to overlie, crush, wound or kill each other.

(b) Upon the written request of the owner or person in custody of any particular shipment of livestock, which written request shall be separate and apart from any printed bill of lading or other railroad form, the length of time in which such livestock may be detained in any cars or compartments without food, water and attention, may be extended to thirty-six hours without penalty therefor. This section does not prevent the dehorning of cattle.

(ORC 959.13)

(c) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree. In addition, the court may order the offender to forfeit the animal or livestock and may provide for its disposition including, but not limited to, the sale of the animal or livestock. If an animal or livestock is forfeited and sold pursuant to this subsection, the proceeds from the sale first shall be applied to pay the expenses incurred with regard to the care of the animal from the time it was taken from the custody of the former owner. The balance of the proceeds from the sale, if any, shall be paid to the former owner of the animal. (ORC 959.99(D))

505.071 CRUELTY TO COMPANION ANIMALS.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Companion animal" means any animal that is kept inside a residential dwelling and any dog or cat regardless of where it is kept, including a pet store as defined in Ohio R.C. 956.01. "Companion animal" does not include livestock or any wild animal.

(2) "Cruelty", "torment" and "torture" have the same meanings as in Ohio R.C. 1717.01.

(3) "Residential dwelling" means a structure or shelter or the portion of a structure or shelter that is used by one or more humans for the purpose of a habitation.

(4) "Practice of veterinary medicine" has the same meaning as in Ohio R.C. 4741.01.

(5) "Wild animal" has the same meaning as in Ohio R.C. 1531.01.

(6) "Federal animal welfare act" means the "Laboratory Animal Act of 1966", Pub. L. No. 89-544, 80 Stat. 350 (1966), 7 U.S.C.A. 2131 et seq., as amended by the "Animal Welfare Act of 1970", Pub. L. No. 91-579, 84 Stat. 1560 (1970), the "Animal Welfare Act Amendments of 1976", Pub. L. No. 94-279, 90 Stat. 417 (1976), and the "Food Security Act of 1985", Pub. L. No. 99-198, 99 Stat. 1354 (1985), and as it may be subsequently amended.

(7) "Dog kennel" means an animal rescue for dogs that is registered under Ohio R.C. 956.06, a boarding kennel or a training kennel.

(b) No person shall knowingly torture, torment, needlessly mutilate or maim, cruelly beat, poison, needlessly kill, or commit an act of cruelty against a companion animal.

(c) No person who confines or who is the custodian or caretaker of a companion animal shall negligently do any of the following:

(1) Torture, torment or commit an act of cruelty against the companion animal;

(2) Deprive the companion animal of necessary sustenance, or confine the companion animal without supplying it during the confinement with sufficient quantities of good, wholesome food and water, if it can

reasonably be expected that the companion animal would become sick or suffer in any other way as a result of or due to the deprivation or confinement;

(3) Impound or confine the companion animal without affording it, during the impoundment or confinement, with access to shelter from heat, cold, wind, rain, snow, or excessive direct sunlight if it can reasonably be expected that the companion animal would become sick or suffer in any other way as a result of or due to the lack of adequate shelter.

(d) No owner, manager or employee of a dog kennel who confines or is the custodian or caretaker of a companion animal shall negligently do any of the following:

(1) Torture, torment, or commit an act of cruelty against the companion animal;

(2) Deprive the companion animal of necessary sustenance, or confine the companion animal without supplying it during the confinement with sufficient quantities of good, wholesome food and water, if it can reasonably be expected that the companion animal would become sick or suffer in any other way as a result of or due to the deprivation or confinement;

(3) Impound or confine the companion animal without affording it, during the impoundment or confinement, with access to shelter from heat, cold, wind, rain, snow or excessive direct sunlight if it can reasonably be expected that the companion animal would become sick or suffer in any other way as a result of or due to the lack of adequate shelter.

(e) Subsections (b), (c) and (d) of this section do not apply to any of the following:

(1) A companion animal used in scientific research conducted by an institution in accordance with the federal animal welfare act and related regulations;

(2) The lawful practice of veterinary medicine by a person who has been issued a license, temporary permit, or registration certificate to do so under Ohio R.C. Chapter 4741;

(3) Dogs being used or intended for use for hunting or field trial purposes, provided that the dogs are being treated in accordance with usual and commonly accepted practices for the care of hunting dogs;

(4) The use of common training devices, if the companion animal is being treated in accordance with usual and commonly accepted practices for the training of animals;

(5) The administering of medicine to a companion animal that was properly prescribed by a person who has been issued a license, temporary permit, or registration certificate under Ohio R.C. Chapter 4741.

(ORC 959.131)

(f) (1) Whoever violates subsection (b) hereof is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree on a first offense. On each subsequent offense such person is guilty of a felony and shall be prosecuted under appropriate State law.

(2) Whoever violates subsection (c) hereof is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree on a first offense and a misdemeanor of the first degree on each subsequent offense.

(3) Whoever violates subsection (d) hereof is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(4) A. A court may order a person who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of this section to forfeit to an impounding agency, as defined in Ohio R.C. 959.132, any or all of the companion animals in that person's ownership or care. The court also may prohibit or place limitations on the person's ability to own or care for any companion animals for a specified or indefinite period of time.

B. A court may order a person who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of this section to reimburse an impounding agency for the reasonably necessary costs incurred by the agency for the care of a companion animal that the agency impounded as a result of the investigation or prosecution of the violation, provided that the costs were not otherwise paid under Ohio R.C. 959.132.

(5) If a court has reason to believe that a person who is convicted of or pleads guilty to a violation of this section suffers from a mental or emotional disorder that contributed to the violation, the court may impose as a community control sanction or as a condition of probation a requirement that the offender undergo psychological evaluation or counseling. The court shall order the offender to pay the costs of the evaluation or counseling. (ORC 959.99)

505.08 ANIMAL NUISANCE CONDITIONS PROHIBITED.

(a) No person shall keep or harbor any animal or fowl in the Municipality so as to create offensive odors, excessive noise or unsanitary conditions which are a menace to the health, comfort or safety of the public, or otherwise permit the commission or existence of a nuisance as defined herein.

(b) Any animal which scratches, digs or defecates upon any lawn, tree, shrub, plant, sidewalk, building,

park, playground, school ground or private property, other than the property of the owner or person in charge or control of such animal, is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

(c) No owner or keeper or person having custody or control of any animal shall allow or permit such animal to commit a nuisance on any public property or upon private property other than that of the owner or keeper or person who has accepted custody or control of such animal. Where the owner or person in charge of such animal immediately removes all feces deposited by such animal and disposes of same in a sanitary manner, such nuisance shall be considered abated.

(d) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for the first offense and a misdemeanor of the fourth degree for each subsequent offense.

(Ord. 2004-043. Passed 7-26-04.)

505.09 NOISY ANIMALS OR FOWL.

(a) No person shall keep or harbor any animal or fowl which howls, barks or emits audible sounds that are unreasonably loud or disturbing and which are of such character, intensity and duration as to disturb the peace and quiet of the neighborhood or which are detrimental to the life and health of any individual.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

505.10 ANIMAL BITES; REPORTS AND QUARANTINE.

(a) Whenever any person is bitten by a dog or other animal, report of such bite shall be made to the Health Commissioner within twenty-four hours. Whenever it is reported to the Health Commissioner that any dog or cat has bitten a person, that dog or cat shall be quarantined under an order issued by the Health Commissioner. The dog or cat shall be quarantined by its owner or by a harbinger, or shall be quarantined in a pound or kennel. In all cases, such quarantine shall be under the supervision of the Health Commissioner and shall be at the expense of the owner or harbinger. Quarantine shall continue until the Health Commissioner determines that the dog or cat is not afflicted with rabies. The quarantine period hereby required shall not be less than ten days from the date on which the person was bitten. If at any time during the quarantine, the Health Commissioner requires the dog or cat to be examined for symptoms of rabies, then the examination shall be by a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine. The veterinarian shall report to the Health Commissioner the conclusions reached as a result of the examinations. The examination by a veterinarian shall be at the expense of the owner or harbinger. No dog or cat shall be released from the required quarantine unless and until it has been properly vaccinated against rabies.

No person shall fail to comply with the requirements of this section or with any order of the Health Commissioner made pursuant thereto, nor fail to immediately report to the Health Commissioner any symptoms or behavior suggestive of rabies.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

505.11 HUNTING PROHIBITED.

(a) No person shall hunt, kill or attempt to kill any animal or fowl by the use of firearms, bow and arrow, air rifle, or any other means within the corporate limits of the Municipality except as permitted in subsection (b) hereof.

(b) It shall be lawful to hunt and trap pursuant to Ohio R.C. Chapters 1531 and 1533 and when in conformity with all Division of Wildlife rules when in a designated hunting and trapping zone.

(c) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

(d) Hunting and Trapping Map Adopted.

(1) Division of land. All land in the City is placed into a permitted or prohibited hunting and trapping zone as it is shown on the Hunting and Trapping Zone Map of Groveport, Ohio, which is hereby adopted and declared a part of this chapter.

(2) Final authority. The Hunting and Trapping Zone Map, as amended from time to time, shall be the final authority for the current hunting and trapping zone status of land under the jurisdiction of this chapter.

(3) Land not otherwise designated. All land under this chapter and not designated or otherwise included within the hunting and trapping zone shall be included in a prohibited hunting and trapping zone.

(4) Identification of the Hunting and Trapping Zone Map. The Hunting and Trapping Zone Map with any amendments made thereon shall be identified by the signatures of the Mayor and Clerk of the City of Groveport, Ohio, under the following words:

"Hunting and Trapping Zone Map, No. 3, Groveport, Ohio, adopted by the Council of Groveport, Ohio."

Date: _

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Lance Westcamp, Mayor

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Ruthanne Sargus Ross, Clerk of Council.

(Ord. 15-050. Passed 9-14-15.)

505.12 COLORING RABBITS OR BABY POULTRY; SALE OR DISPLAY OF POULTRY.

(a) No person shall dye or otherwise color any rabbit or baby poultry, including, but not limited to, chicks and ducklings. No person shall sell, offer for sale, expose for sale, raffle or give away any rabbit or poultry which has been dyed or otherwise colored. No poultry younger than four weeks of age may be sold, given away or otherwise distributed to any person in lots of less than six. Stores, shops, vendors and others offering young poultry for sale or other distribution shall provide and operate brooders or other heating devices that may be necessary to maintain poultry in good health, and shall keep adequate food and water available to the poultry at all times. (ORC 925.62)

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

505.13 DANGEROUS ANIMALS.

(a) No person shall:

(1) Being the owner or person having care, custody, or control, permit any dangerous animal to run at large, or lead any dangerous animal with a chain, rope, or other appliance, whether it is muzzled or unmuzzled, in any street or public place;

(2) Keep or harbor any poisonous snake, python, boa constrictor, or other constrictor type snake larger than two feet long, anywhere in the City except in a zoo.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(c) Strict liability is intended to be imposed for a violation of this section.

505.14 RABIES IMMUNIZATION.

(a) No person shall own, keep, harbor or have charge of any dog over four months of age unless such dog has been immunized against rabies.

(b) Failure to display a current rabies immunization tag on a dog's collar, harness, leash or similar device, shall be prima facie evidence of lack of immunization. Lack of immunization shall subject such dog to impoundment.

(c) No prosecution for a violation of this section shall take place until at least three days after the owner, keeper, harbinger or person having charge of any dog has been notified in writing of an alleged violation and has failed to demonstrate compliance with this section to the satisfaction of the Franklin County Animal Control Board.

(d) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

(e) Strict liability is intended to be imposed for a violation of this section.

505.15 DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS AND RESTRICTED SNAKES.

(a) For purposes of this section, "dangerous wild animal" and "restricted snake" have the same meanings as set forth in Ohio R.C. 935.01.

(b) (1) Except for a restricted snake specified in Ohio R.C. 935.01(L)(1), no person shall sell or offer for sale at auction a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake.

(2) Except for a microchip removed for purposes of a medical emergency by a veterinarian that is qualified to provide veterinary care to the dangerous wild animal, no person shall knowingly remove a microchip that is implanted in a dangerous wild animal as required in Ohio R.C. 935.04.

(3) No person that possesses a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake shall fail to post and display any of the following:

A. On each cage in which a dangerous wild animal is confined, signs warning the public that a dangerous wild animal is confined in the cage;

B. At each entrance to the property where a dangerous wild animal is confined, a sign warning the public that a dangerous wild animal is on the property;

C. On each container in which a restricted snake is confined, a sign warning the public that a restricted snake is in the container;

D. At the main entrance to each structure where a restricted snake is confined, a sign warning the public that a restricted snake is in the structure;

E. On a vehicle that is used to transport a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake, a sign warning that a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake, as applicable, is in the vehicle.

The signs shall comply with standards established in rules adopted by the State Director of Agriculture.

(4) No person shall allow a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake to roam off the property where it is confined.

(5) No person shall remove any teeth or claws from a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake, as applicable, unless determined to be medically necessary by a veterinarian. (ORC 935.18)

(c) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree on the first offense. On a second or subsequent offense, such person is guilty of a felony and shall be prosecuted under appropriate State law. (ORC 935.99)

505.16 DANGEROUS DOGS.

(a) Except when a dangerous dog is lawfully engaged in hunting or training for the purpose of hunting and is accompanied by the owner, keeper, harbinger, or handler of the dog, no owner, keeper, or harbinger of a dangerous dog shall fail to do either of the following:

(1) While that dog is on the premises of the owner, keeper or harbinger, securely confine it at all times in a building, in a locked pen that has a top, locked fenced yard or other locked enclosure that has a top;

(2) While that dog is off the premises of the owner, keeper or harbinger, keep that dog on a chain-link leash or tether that is not more than six feet in length and additionally do at least one of the following:

A. Keep that dog in a locked pen that has a top, locked fenced yard or other locked enclosure that has a top;

B. Have the leash or tether controlled by a person who is of suitable age and discretion or securely attach, tie or affix the leash or tether to the ground or stationary object or fixture so that the dog is adequately restrained and station such a person in close enough proximity to that dog so as to prevent it from causing injury to any person;

C. Muzzle that dog.

(b) No owner, keeper or harbinger of a dangerous dog shall fail to do the following:

(1) Obtain liability insurance with an insurer authorized to write liability insurance in this State providing coverage in each occurrence because of damage or bodily injury to or death of a person caused by the dangerous dog if so ordered by a court and provide proof of that liability insurance upon request to any law enforcement officer, County Dog Warden, or public health official charged with enforcing this section;

(2) Obtain a dangerous dog registration certificate from the County Auditor pursuant to Ohio R.C. 955.22(I), affix a tag that identifies the dog as a dangerous dog to the dog's collar, and ensure that the dog wears the collar and tag at all times;

(3) Notify the local Dog Warden immediately if any of the following occurs:

A. The dog is loose or unconfined.

B. The dog bites a person, unless the dog is on the property of the owner of the dog, and the person who is bitten is unlawfully trespassing or committing a criminal act within the boundaries of that property.

C. The dog attacks another animal while the dog is off the property of the owner of the dog.

(4) If the dog is sold, given to another person, or dies, notify the County Auditor within ten days of the sale, transfer or death.

(ORC 955.22)

(c) Whoever violates subsection (a) hereof is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree on a first offense and of a misdemeanor of the third degree on each subsequent offense. Additionally, the court may order the offender to personally supervise the dangerous dog that the offender owns, keeps or harbors, to cause that dog to complete dog obedience training, or to do both, and the court may order the offender to obtain liability insurance pursuant to subsection (b) hereof. The court, in the alternative, may order the dangerous dog to be humanely destroyed by a licensed veterinarian, the Dog Warden or the humane society at the owner's expense.

(d) (1) Whoever violates subsection (b)(2) hereof is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

(2) Whoever violates subsections (b)(1), (3) or (4) hereof is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. (ORC 955.99)

505.17 ANIMALS PROHIBITED AT CITY EVENTS.

(a) No owner or keeper or person having custody or control of any animal shall bring, or cause to be brought, any animal to City sponsored or City supported events.

(b) This Ordinance does not apply to guide or service dogs or animals being used by a police officer in the performance of official duties.

(c) This Ordinance does not include animal exhibits or pets on residential properties within the event area.

(d) The stated prohibition in (a) above applies to the following specific events as well as any City supported or City sponsored events as determined by the City Administrator:

1.) Fourth of July Celebration

2.) Apple Butter Day

3.) KidsFest

(e) The City Administrator shall define the designated event areas at the City sponsored or City supported event where the prohibition set forth in (a) above applies.

(f) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

505.99 PENALTY.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See Section [501.99](#) for penalties applicable to any misdemeanor classification.)