

ORDINANCE NO. 11-9-22A

GRATZ BOROUGH, DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

*AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE HARBORING OF AN ANIMAL NUISANCE;
EXCEPTIONS; PENALTIES*

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the borough Council of Gratz and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. No person shall keep or harbor any dog, cat, or other animal in the Borough 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.

SECTION 2: Any dog, cat or other animal, which by frequent and habitual barking, howling, screeching, yelping or baying, or in any way or manner disturbs the quiet of any person of the community, or which disturbs or endangers the comfort, repose or health of persons, is hereby declared to be committing a nuisance. No owner or person having custody of such animal shall harbor or permit it to commit such a nuisance.

SECTION 3. Any dog, cat or other animal which scratches, digs or defecates upon any lawn, tree, shrubs, plant, building or any other public 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.

3a. Where the owner or person in charge or control of such animal immediately removes all feces deposited by such animal and dispose of the same in a sanitary manner, wrapped, packaged, or protected so as to prevent unsightly disposal, smell or interference with the health and welfare of the community, such type of nuisance shall be considered abated.

SECTION 4. No person being the owner or in charge or control of any dog, cat or other animal shall permit such animal to commit a nuisance on any Borough Park or other public property, or upon any private property other than that of the owner or person in charge or control of such dog, cat or other animal without the permission of the owner of such property.

SECTION 5. Any person who owns, harbors, keeps, or is in charge of any a dog or other animal, other than a domesticated cat, within or frequenting the Borough shall not permit such animal to be unattended within the Borough and shall require said animal to be restrained by a leash or other appropriate device of control so that it cannot stray beyond the premises on which it is secured.

SECTION 6. Persons with defective eyesight or hearing while relying upon a dog specifically trained for these purposes shall be exempt from compliance with this Section.

SECTION 7. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance shall upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars and costs of prosecution, for each offense thereof.

SECTION 8. If any section, provision, sentence, clause or part of this ordinance shall for any reason be held unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining sections, provisions or clauses or parts of this ordinance.

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