Borough of Highlands Public Notice

Please take notice that the following ordinance was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, on March 2, 2016. Notice is hereby given that the following ordinance will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Robert D. Wilson Memorial Community Center, 22 Snug Harbor Avenue, Highlands, NJ 07732, on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 8:00 PM. At that time, the public is invited to participate in the discussion of the Ordinance. Copies of the Ordinance are available in the Municipal Clerk's Office located at 42 Shore Drive, Highlands, NJ and are posted on the Display Board at the Municipal Building. Copies are available at no charge to the general public.

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

0-16-08

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 5-16.3, "FERAL CAT COLONIES," OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS TO PROHIBIT FOOD LEFT OUTSIDE FOR FREE-ROAMING CATS AFTER 9:00 P.M. OR BEFORE 5:00 A.M. AND TO REQUIRE THE PROVISION OF LITTER BOXES BY FERAL CAT CAREGIVERS AND AMENDING THE TITLE OF SECTION 5-16.3 TO "FERAL CAT COLONY TRAP/NEUTER/RELEASE (TNR) PROGRAM"

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands has enacted ordinances to provide for the managed care of feral cats, codified at Section 5-16 of the Code of the Borough of Highlands; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to amend and supplement Section 15-16(d) to prohibit providing open containers of food for free-roaming cats after 9:00 p.m. or before 5:00 a.m. and to require feral cat caregivers to provide litter boxes for such cats under their care.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the Borough of Highlands as follows:

SECTION ONE. Section 5-16.3(d)(11) shall be amended to read as follows: "Taking reasonable steps to prevent cats from creating a nuisance in adjacent properties, which includes, but is not limited to, providing litter boxes for feral cats."

SECTION TWO. Section 5-16.3(d) shall be supplemented by the addition of a paragraph (12), which shall read: "Feral cat caregivers shall not leave open containers of food for such cats outdoors after 9:00 p.m. nor before 5:00 a.m.

SECTION THREE. Section 5-16.3 shall be amended to be entitled "Feral Cat Colony Trap/Neuter/Release (TNR) Program."

SECTION FOUR. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

SECTION FIVE. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION SIX. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication as provided by law.

Carolyn Cummins Borough Clerk