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AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 6.01.010 OF TITLE 6 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO ANIMALS AND ADDING SECTION 6.05.015

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Colorado, that:

SECTION 1. Section 6.01.010 of the Lakewood Municipal Code is hereby amended by the addition of the following definition to read in full as follows:

6.01.010 Definitions.

"Household Pet"

A. Regulated species of household pets means any species of animal commonly kept as a pet within households, and which are more than four (4) months of age, such as a dog, cat, rabbit, duck, pot belly pig that weighs less than seventy (70) pounds, and ferret, the keeping of which is not prohibited by this Title.

B. Non-regulated species of household pets means any animals that are typically kept indoors in a cage or container such as tropical fish, non-poisonous reptiles, guinea pigs, hamsters, gerbils, mice, and small birds; any of which are kept as a pet and are not being raised for commercial purposes and the keeping of which is not prohibited by this Title.

SECTION 2. Section 6.05.015 of the Lakewood Municipal Code is hereby added to read in full as follows:

6.05.015 Limited number of household pets.

A. It is unlawful to keep more than a total of five (5) regulated species of household pets per residence; however the total cannot exceed three (3) animals of the same species. Service animals as defined in 28 C.F.R. Section 35.104 and 28 C.F.R. Section 35.136 (i) shall be allowed in addition to household pets.

B. Pursuant to a permit as set forth in Title 17 of the Lakewood Municipal Code, a maximum of three (3) female dwarf goats may be kept as a regulated species of household pets in the appropriate zoned district. Dwarf goats shall be counted towards the total number of regulated species of household pets permitted per residence.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final publication.

I hereby attest and certify that the within and foregoing ordinance was introduced and read on first reading at a regular meeting of the Lakewood City Council on the 11th day of February, 2013; published by title in the Denver Post and in full on the City of Lakewood's website, www.lakewood.org, on the 14th day of February, 2013; set for public hearing on the 25th day of February, 2013, read, finally passed and adopted by the City Council on the 25th day of February, 2013 and, signed and approved by the Mayor on the 26th day of February, 2013.

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Bob Murphy, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Margy Greer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Tim Cox, City Attorney