CITY OF HOMER HOMER, ALASKA

ORDINANCE 86-19

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMER REPEALING AND REENACTING SECTION 20.08.080 OF THE HOMER MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING REMOVAL FROM AREA ANIMAL SHELTER WITHOUT PERMISSION AND ADDING SECTION 20.08.081, WHICH PROHIBITS TAMPERING WITH CITY ANIMAL LIVE TRAPS.

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Homer City Council to control the running at large of animals within the City of Homer and protect the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City in respect to the keeping of animals; and

WHEREAS, recently there has been an increased amount of tampering and release of animals from the City's Animal Shelter, Animal Shelter vehicle, City owned live traps and other official custody; and

WHEREAS, these changes will provide the necessary added authority for adequate enforcement;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. Section 20.08.080, Removal from area animal shelter without permission, is repealed and reenacted and Section 21.08.081, Tampering with City Animal live traps prohibited, is added to the Homer Municipal Code to read as follows:

20.08.080 Removal of animals from Animal Shelter, Animal Control vehicles, Municipal Animal Traps, or Other Official Custody. No person shall remove or release any dog or other animal from the animal shelter, animal control vehicles, municipal animal traps or from any other official custody without first obtaining permission to do so from the animal control officer or any police officer of the City of Homer.

20.08.081 Tampering with City Animal live traps prohibited. No person may tamper with any City owned or operated animal live trap. Tampering shall mean removal or destruction of bait(s), tripping the door closure mechanism, obstructing the entry way so as to prevent animals from entering the trap, or the physical removal of the trap from its position.

<u>Section 2.</u> Violation of any provision contained in the foregoing amendments shall be punished under the general penalty provision, Section 1.16.010 of the Homer Municipal Code.

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