PULASKI TOWNSHIP

ORDINANCE #232

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PULASKI, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REGULATING THE KEEPING OF HOUSEHOLD PETS

IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Supervisors of the Township of Pulaski, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section I – Definitions: As used in this Part, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated, unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context.

HOUSEHOLD PET - Any dog, cat or other domestic animal normally and ordinarily kept in or permitted to be at large in the dwelling of its owner.

PERSON – Any person, firm, partnership, association or corporation.

- **Section II Household Pets:** It shall be unlawful for any person to keep any household pet, except as provided in this Section:
 - A. If any such pet shall be kept in a dwelling owned or occupied by its owner, such owner shall be required to follow such procedures and practices, as to sanitation, to insure that no public nuisance shall be created or maintained and no threat to the health of persons living elsewhere than in such dwelling shall be created.
 - B. It shall be unlawful for the owner of any household pet to allow such household pet to run at large at any time upon any of the streets, alleys or public grounds in the Township of Pulaski, or upon the property of another than the owner, custodian or keeper of such household pet, unless accompanied by and under the immediate control of such owner, custodian or keeper.
 - C. If any household pet shall be kept in an enclosure outside a dwelling, no part of such enclosure shall be closer than five (5) feet from the exterior limits of any dwelling or of any property line.
- **Section III Seizure of Dogs and Cats Found at Large.** The Township police, any officer or agent of the Humane Society, or any other person authorized by the Township are

hereby empowered to take possession of or to seize, on public or private property, any such dogs or cats permitted to run at large to the annoyance of the residents of the Township, or to pedestrians, or operators of motor vehicles using the streets in the Township.

- **Section IV Violation of State Law.** Any violation of this Part which would also violate any State law shall be prosecuted under that State Law and not under this Part.
- **Section V Disposal of Animal Waste and Feces.** It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any dog or cat within his control to deposit on any public property or upon any private property, without the consent of the owner of this property, any animal waste or feces. Permitting the deposit of waste or feces by any animal shall constitute a public nuisance. Where the owner or other person in control of the animal immediately removes all feces deposited by the animal upon private property and in a sanitary manner disposes of the feces, that nuisance as to that owner shall be considered abated.
- **Section VI Penalties.** Any person who shall violate any provision of this Part shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more six hundred (\$600.00) dollars and costs, and in default of payment of said fine and costs, to imprisonment for a term not to exceed thirty (30) days. Each day that violation of this Part shall continue shall constitute a separate offence.
- Section VII Exemption of Guide Dogs or Dogs Used to Assist any other physically handicapped person. Sections I through VI shall not apply to guide dogs engaged in guiding persons with defects of eyesight or hearing or any other physically handicapped persons.

ENACATED AND ORDAINED THIS 27TH day of MAY, 2008.

TOWNSHIP OF PULASKI

	BY
Pulaski Township Secretary	Chairman of the Board of Supervisors