

ORDINANCE # 84

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE HARBORING, OWN, OR HAVE CUSTODY OF A DANGEROUS WILD ANIMAL, PROVIDING FOR THE IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTIES AND PROSECUTION, PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.

WHEREAS, the City Council for the Town of Annetta is acting in the best interest of its citizens in considering the restraint of owning a dangerous wild animal;

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED:

Article I

Definitions: "Dangerous wild animal" means the following:

- (1) a lion; (2) a tiger; (3) an ocelot; (4) a cougar; (5) a leopard; (6) a cheetah; (7) a jaguar; (8) bobcat; (9) a lynx; (10) serval; (11) a caracal; (12) a hyena; (13) a bear; (14) a coyote; (15) a jackal, (16) a baboon; (17) a chimpanzee; (18) an orangutan; (19) a gorilla; or any hybrid of an animal listed in this subdivision.
- (2) "Owner" means any person who owns, harbors or has custody or control of a dangerous wild animal.

Article II

No individual, partnership, corporation, trust, estate, joint stock company, foundation, or association of individuals shall own, harbor or have custody of any dangerous wild animal as defined in Article I within the corporate limits of the Town of Annetta or in its Extra Territorial Jurisdiction.

Article III

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council of the Town of Annetta that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared void, ineffective or unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such voidness, and ineffectiveness or unconstitutionality shall not effect any of the remaining phrase, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation herein of any such void, ineffective or unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

Article VI

Any individual, partnership, corporation, trust, estate, joint stock company, foundation or association of individuals that violates, disobeys, neglects or refuses to comply with, or that resists the enforcement of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be fined not more than Two Hundred (\$200.00) for each offense, each day that such a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable as such.

The City Council of the Town of Annetta may also bring suit for injunction against any person, firm or corporation that violates or threatens to violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, in order to prevent a continued violation or threatened violation.

Article V

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF November 2001.

APPROVED:

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CITY SECRETARY