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ORDINANCE

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 North 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 North or in its Extra Territorial Jurisdiction.

Article III

It is hereby declared to be the intention *d* the City Council of the Town of Annetta North 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 affect 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. Town of Annetta North Dangerous Animal Ordinance Page 2

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 North 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.

