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COUNTY COMMISSION
Cape Girardeau County, Missouri

IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF CAPE GIRARDEAU COUNTY, MISSOURI

The Matter of:	)	
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Animal Control	)	ORDINANCE NO. 99-02
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ORDINANCE FOR THE CONTROL OF ANIMALS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF THE COUNTY OF CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI IN CONSONANCE WITH CHAPTERS 273, 322 AND 578 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF MISSOURI AND THE COMPENDIUM OF ANIMAL RABIES CONTROL PUBLISHED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE PUBLIC HEALTH VETERINARIANS AS FOLLOWS:

Section I. It shall be a violation of this ordinance, upon complaint, for any person keeping, harboring or owning an animal to allow such animal to endanger any person or destroy any property. Upon complaint, any such animal may be taken by the authorized representative of the county and impounded in the appropriate facility. The animal may be released to the owner or other appropriate persons only upon paying any fines or

appropriate fees incurred by the impoundment facility, certification of a rabies vaccination and agreement to follow current proceedings of the facility.

Section II. Upon oral or written complaint by any person any animal capable of transmitting rabies or that attacks any person or other animal in such a way that rabies could be transmitted shall be placed under observation for a period of ten (10) days immediately following the bite or attack. If the owner can not provide proof that the animal has been vaccinated for rabies the authorized representative of the County of Cape Girardeau shall insure the animal is impounded for the ten (10) day period at the owners expense or if necessary for public health reasons the authorized representative of the County of Cape Girardeau may have the animal destroyed and submit a specimen for examination for rabies to the proper laboratory.

Section III. No person shall own, keep or harbor or permit to be or allow to remain on or about his premises any dog, cat or ferret which, if over four (4) months of age, has not been vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian. Wild or undomesticated cats are exempt from vaccination.

PASSED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF CAPE GIRARDEAU COUNTY, MISSOURI THIS 8TH DAY OF APRIL, 1999.

Gerald W. Jones, Presiding Commissioner

Larry L. Bock, First District Commissioner

Max G. Stovall, Second Dist. Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rodney Miller, Clerk of the County Commission