ORDINANCE NO. 79

DOGS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF GIFFORD, ILLINOIS:

SECTION I - DEFINITION OF TERMS)

As used in this ordinance, unless the context otherwise indicates,

- (a) "Dog" shall be intended to mean both male and female.
- (b) "Owner" shall be intended to mean any person or persons, firm, association or corporation owning, keeping, or harboring a dog.
- (c) "At large" shall be intended to mean off the premises of the owner, and not under the control of the owner or a member of his immediate family either by leash, cord, chain or otherwise.

SECTION II - RABIES INOCULATION)

It shall be the duty of the owner of any dog kept in the village to have the dog inoculated against rabies at least once each year. Every dog shall be properly tagged showing compliance with this section.

SECTION III - RUNNING AT LARGE)

It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog to permit such animal to run at large, or to be on any public place or private property other than that of the owner without being securely restrained by a leash or other means.

Any dog unlawfully running at large may be impounded.

SECTION IV - DISTURBING PEACE)

No person owning any dog, or having custody of any dog, shall suffer or permit such dog to disturb the peace and quiet of the neighborhood by barking, making other loud

or unusual noise, or by running through or across public property or private property other than that of the owner.

SECTION V - NUISANCES)

Any dog found in the village either without proper rabies tag or running at large is hereby declared to be a nuisance and shall be impounded as hereinafter provided.

SECTION VI - ANIMAL CONTROL WARDEN AND DEPUTIES)

The Village Marshal shall be ex officio animal control warden for the village. Provision shall be made for the appointment of such deputy or deputies as may be necessary. Such deputy or deputies, employed by contractual agreement or otherwise, shall be commissioned as special police officers for the village and shall be and are hereby authorized to make all necessary arrests in carrying out the provisions of this ordinance. The Animal Control Warden and his deputies are hereby charged with the duty of enforcing the provisions of this ordinance, including the capture of all dogs running at large contrary to the provisions hereof, and the delivery of same to the poundmaster as hereinafter provided.

SECTION VII - POUNDMASTER)

The President and Board of Trustees shall designate a poundmaster, whose duties shall include the impounding of all dogs delivered to him by the animal control warden or his deputies under the provisions of this ordinance. The poundmaster shall maintain a pound enclosure or other suitable means for impounding such dogs in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and the applicable provisions of the law of the State of Illinois. All such dogs shall be kept, maintained, humanely treated and fed by the poundmaster until redeemed or otherwise disposed of as provided herein.

SECTION VIII - PUBLIC NOTICE)

Immediately after receiving any dog from the animal control warden or his deputies for impounding, it shall be the duty of the poundmaster to enter upon the records

of the pound in a book to be kept by him for such purpose the date of impounding, a description of the dog impounded, and a record as to whether or not such dog has been inoculated and tagged with a proper rabies tag as required by this ordinance.

Public notice of the impounding of such a dog shall be given by posting one copy of the description of such dog and date of impounding at the pound, and one copy of such notice on the front door of the Water Department Building at 104 East Center Street, Gifford, Illinois. Any such dog not redeemed by the owner thereof within seven (7) days after the posting of such notice by the poundmaster shall be and he is hereby declared to be a public nuisance. The poundmaster shall dispose of such dog in accordance with the provisions of an Act providing for the impounding and disposition of stray animals, Sections 128 to 140 inclusive, Chapter $111\frac{1}{2}$ Illinois Revised Statutes 1963.

SECTION IX - DOGS IMPOUNDED -- HOW REDEEMED)

The owner of any dog impounded hereunder may redeem the same by paying a penalty of \$5 for the first offense for which the dog is impounded, \$10 for the second offense, and \$20 for the third and each successive offense, together with an additional fee of \$1 per day for each day or any part thereof during which such animal has been held in the pound, and by paying to the poundmaster any necessary veterinary costs or other necessary charges incurred in maintaining such dog, and when the same are paid and the owner has given reasonable and satisfactory proof of his ownership of the dog, it shall be the duty of said poundmaster to release said dog from the pound to the owner thereof. For the purposes of this ordinance a day shall be considered a calendar day consisting of a twenty-four hour period from one midnight to the next succeeding midnight. In the event any impounded dog does not have a current rabies tag, as provided for herein, the owner redeeming such dog shall, in addition to the above charges, pay the necessary fee for inoculation for the current year.

SECTION X - MONTHLY REPORTS)

The poundmaster shall submit a monthly report in writing of the pound activities to the President and Board of Trustees, indicating the number of dogs impounded, cost details, dog redemptions, fees collected, and disposition of unclaimed

dogs. The poundmaster shall, on or before the 5th day of each month, pay to the Village Clerk all fees, penalties and charges collected by him from owners of dogs redeeming same during the previous month.

SECTION XI - DOG BITES)

Whenever any dog bites a person, the owner of the said dog shall immediately notify the Village Marshal, who shall order the dog held on the owner's premises or shall have it impounded for a period of fifteen (15) days. The dog shall be examined immediately after it has bitten anyone and again at the end of the fifteen day period. If at the end of the fifteen (15) days a veterinarian is convinced that the dog is then free from rabies the dog shall be released from quarantine or from the pound as the case may be. If the dog dies in the meanwhile its head shall be sent to the state department of health for examination for rabies.

SECTION XII - PENALTY)

Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be fined not exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200) for each offense.

SECTION XIII - EFFECTIVE DATE)

This ordinance shall take effect from and after its presentation, approval, signing and publication as required by law.

Presented, passed and adopted by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Gifford this 6th day of April, A.D. 1965.

Approved by the President of said Village who signed the same this 6th day of April, A.D. 1965.

President of the Board of Trustees and of the Village of Gifford, Illinois

ATTEST:

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