

RESOLUTION

NO: 2018-03-053

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

DATE: March 19, 2018

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**Resolution to Adopt an Animal Control Ordinance - Livingston County Animal Services**

**WHEREAS,** In 1987 the County passed an ordinance that: defined the County Animal Control Officer; Licensing and vaccination of dogs; confinement of dogs and other animals under certain circumstances; County Animal Shelter and impoundment; killing and seizing of dogs and other animals; enumeration of certain violations and procedure therefore; penalties; preservation of certain rights; County Treasurer's duties and records; fees and expenses; receipts and disbursements of funds; construction; validity and severability; repeal; and

**WHEREAS,** this ordinance was last amended and adopted May 19, 2008 by resolution #2008-05-156; and

**WHEREAS,** in the continued interest of protecting the public health, safety, convenience, and welfare of the citizens of Livingston County there are several operational and structural changes needed which, to effectuate, will require an update to the Animal Control Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS,** it has been determined that language in the ordinance should be added to clarify the Animal Control Officer(s) is not responsible for the operations of the Animal Shelter and would better serve the County in his/her role being employed by and reporting directly to the Livingston County Sheriff; and

**WHEREAS,** a creation of the Animal Shelter Department and Animal Shelter Director will distinguish that the existing department will no longer focus on animal control duties.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby approves and adopts the attached changes to the Livingston County Animal Control Ordinance attached hereto.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Livingston County Clerk is directed to cause the ordinance to be published in a newspaper of general circulation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the ordinance shall take effect when notice of its adoption is published in a newspaper of general circulation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners authorized any position transfers or budget amendments in the current year required to effectuate the changes to the ordinance.

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<b>MOVED:</b>	<b>Commissioner G. Childs</b>		
<b>SECONDED:</b>	<b>Commissioner D. Dolan</b>		
<b>CARRIED:</b>	<b>Roll Call Vote: (8): D. Parker, D. Dolan, W. Green, D. Domas, D. Helzerman, R. Bezotte, C. Griffith, and G. Childs; No (0); Absent: K. Lawrence</b>		