BOROUGH OF TAYLOR

ORDINANCE No. 3 of 2021

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE FEEDING OR PROVIDING FOODS TO WILD ANIMALS OR BIRDS SO AS TO CAUSE A NUISANCE

WHEREAS, the gathering of a large number of wild animals or birds can affect

The health, safety and welfare of the residents of Taylor; and

WHEREAS, the feeding of wild animals or birds causes the gathering of large numbers of birds or animals thereby seriously affecting the health, safety and welfare of the Borough residents; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED AND IT IS HEREBY

ENACTED AND ORDAINED as follows:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS

- a. Wild animals as used herein refers to other than domestic animals.
- b. Owner. Any person or group of persons, firms or corporations.

Section 2. PROHIBITION

- a. No person shall feed or cause to be fed birds or wild animals so as to cause a
 Health threat or nuisance to neighboring property owners.
- b. No person shall maintain their property in such a condition so as to cause the gathering of birds and or wild animals so as to cause a health threat or nuisance to neighboring property owners.

Section 3. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

a. Any owner or person or persons violating any provision of this Ordinance shall pay a fine of not more than Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars per offense, or in default of payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days.

Section 4. PLEA OF DEFENDANT

- a. The Defendant shall, within ten (10) days of issuance of a citation, either:
- Plead not guilty by appearing before the District Justice, entering his or her plea and posting such security for his/her appearance at trial as the issuing authority shall require;
- 2. Notify the District Justice in writing, of his/her plea, and forwarding a sum equal to the fine and cost specified in the citation, or;
- 3. Plead guilty, by forwarding to the District Justice an amount equal to the fine and costs, when specified in the citation.
- b. A notice that failure to respond to citation as herein provided in the time specified shall result in the issuance of a warrant for the arrest of the Defendant.

Section 5. VIOLATION DEEMED NUISANCE

Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be considered as creating a nuisance per se and is responsible for any and all clean-up, costs, etc., associated with the violation of this Ordinance.

Section 6. REPEALED

All other Ordinances related to the feeding of fowl and/or wild animals is hereby repealed.

Section 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days from the date of enactment of this Ordinance.

Borough of Taylor Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania

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Kenneth F. Mickavicz Council President

ATTEST:

Cristi A. Evans, Secretary

EXAMINED and APPROVED this 11th day of August 2021.

Theodore Praśchak, Mayor