# CITY OF UNION CITY COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE 2017-28

### ORDINANCE PROHIBITING CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 4:22-17 sets forth restrictions which prohibit cruelty to living animals by direct or indirect means and penalties for violations thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City of Union City recognizes and embraces the restrictions contained in N.J.S.A. 4:22-17; and

WHERAS, the City of Union City is supportive of the TNR (Trap, Neuter and Release) Community dedicated to the humane system of trapping, neutering and releasing feral cats. This Community through responsible feeders, trappers and rescuers are integral to the humane treatment of feral cats.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the Code of the City of Union City is hereby amended and revised as follows:

## **SECTION ONE:**

Chapter 70 entitled "Animals" is hereby amended and supplemented to include Article IV which shall set forth the following:

No person shall treat or harbor any animal or pet in an inhumane manner which may directly or indirectly subject such animal or pet to disease or injury.

#### **SECTION TWO:**

<u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remain in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

### **SECTION THREE:**

Repealer. All Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only however, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being the legislative intent that all Ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same being conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect.

# **SECTION FOUR:**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Commissioners	Yea	Nay	Abstain/Present	Absent
Lucio P. Fernandez	X			
Tilo E. Rivas				<u> </u>
Celin J. Valdivia	X.			
Maryury A. Martinetti	*			
Mayor Brian P. Stack	7			

I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true and correct Ordinance of the City of Union City Board of Commissioners, adopted on November 8, 2017 and was adopted after a Public Hearing held on November 21, 2017 at Jose Marti Freshman Academy, 1800 Summit Avenue, Union City, New Jersey.

INTRODUCED: November 8, 2017 ADOPTED: November 21, 2017

ATTEST:

Erin Knoedler

Deputy City Clerk