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AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 46, ANIMALS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 46, Animals, Article I, Dog licensing, Section 46-1, Definitions, of the Code of the Township of Washington, Morris County, New Jersey is hereby amended and supplemented by the addition of the following definition:

> "PET. A domesticated animal (other than a disability assistance animal) kept for amusement or companionship."

SECTION 2. Chapter 46, Animals, Article I, Dog licensing, Section 46-15, Removal of feces, of the Code of the Township of Washington, Morris County, New Jersey is hereby amended to read as follows:

> "A. Any person owning or in charge of any pet which soils, defiles, defecates on or commits any nuisance of any common thoroughfare, sidewalk, passageway, bypath, play area, park or any place where people congregate or walk, or upon any public property whatsoever, or upon any private property without permission of the owner of said property, shall immediately remove all feces deposited by any such pet in a sanitary manner.
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> B. The feces removed from the aforementioned designated areas shall be disposed of by the person owning or in charge of the pet by placement in a designated waste receptacle, or other sealed, nonabsorbent, leakproof container, and discarded in a refuse container which is regularly emptied by the municipality or some other refuse collector; or by disposal into a system designed to convey domestic sewage for proper treatment and disposal.
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> C. The provisions of this article shall not apply to pet owners and keepers who require the use of a disability assistance animal while such animal is being used for that purpose."

SECTION 3. All ordinances of the Township of Washington that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF MORRIS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ATTEST:

_____ By: _____

Dianne S. Gallets, Clerk — Kenneth W. Short, Mayor