The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Marion Ordains

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

- (a) *Definitions*. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:
 - i. Pet: A dog, cat or other animal kept for amusement or companionship.
 - ii. Owner/Custodian: Any person who harbors, feeds, boards, possesses, keeps or has custody of a pet.
 - iii. Immediately: at once, without delay.
 - iv. Soil/defile: to make unclean from excrement
 - v. Waste: solid matter expelled from the bowels of a pet; excrement

SECTION 2. PROPER DISPOSAL OF WASTE REQUIRED

- (a) No owner/custodian of any pet shall cause or allow such pet to soil/defile or defecate on any public property or upon any street, sidewalk, public way, or play area, unless such owner/custodian immediately removes and disposes of all waste deposited by such pet as described in section (d).
- (b) It is unlawful for any owner/custodian of any pet to cause or permit said pet to be on any public property without having in said owner/custodian's immediate possession a device for the removal of waste and depository for the transmission of waste to a proper receptacle.
- (c) It is unlawful for any owner/custodian of any pet to cause or permit such pet to be on any public property, to fail to remove waste left by such pet and dispose of it properly as described in section (e).
- (d) Proper disposal of pet waste shall be limited to burial where lawfully permitted, flushing in the toilet, bagging for disposal in waste receptacle owned or controlled by the owner/custodian, and bagging for disposal in a public waste receptacle.
- (e) Disposal of pet waste in storm drains is prohibited.
- (f) Disposal of pet waste in public compost is prohibited.
- (g) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the ownership or use of any properly identified service animals, animals when used for police activities, or tracking animals when used by or with the permission of the appropriate authorities.
- (h) Any peace officer, animal control officer, park ranger, or any duly authorized assistant or agent shall have the authority to issue citations pursuant to this ordinance.
- (i) Any person violating any provision of this ordinance may be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$50 nor more than \$150.

This Pet Waste MS4 Permit Ordinance is adopted by the Marion Town Board of Supervisors this 9th day of November, 2022.

> MARION TOWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Roger Bjerke. Chair

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Attest:

Marion Town Clerk

