AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 505.08 OF THE TROTWOOD, OHIO, CODE OF ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, Council seeks to establish requirements for the proper disposal of pet solid waste in the City of Trotwood for the health, safety and welfare of its citizens, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply; and

WHEREAS, Council will continue to address nuisance conditions pertaining to animals and fowl in the City of Trotwood.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROTWOOD, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION I: Section 505.08, entitled "Nuisance Conditions Prohibited", is hereby repealed and new Section 505.08, entitled "Pet Waste and Nuisance Conditions Prohibited", is hereby enacted as follows with new language in **bold** and text to be deleted in strikeout:

505.08 PET WASTE AND NUISANCE CONDITIONS PROHIBITED.

(a) As used in this section:

- (1) "Owner" or "Keeper" means any person who possesses, maintains, houses, or harbors any pet or otherwise has custody of any pet regardless of whether he or she actually owns it.
- (2) "Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- (3) "Pet" means a domesticated animal (other than service animal) kept for amusement and companionship.
- (4) "Service animal" means a dog that is individually trained to work or perform tasks for people with disabilities.
- (5) "Pet solid waste" means waste matter or excrement that is expelled from the bowels of a pet.
- (6) "Properly dispose" means to place in a designated waste receptacle, or other suitable container, that will be discarded in a refuse container which is regularly emptied by the Municipality or some other refuse collector; or disposal into a system designed to convey domestic sewage for proper treatment and disposal.
- (7) "Immediately" means at once and without delay.

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- (b) All pet owners and pet keepers are required to immediately and properly dispose of a pet's solid waste deposited on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by that person, Owner or Keeper.
- (c) Any owner or keeper that requires the use of a service animal is exempt from the provisions of this section at all times when such service animal is being utilized for its intended purpose.
- (d) No person shall keep or harbor any animal or fowl in the Municipality so as to create noxious, or offensive odors or and unsanitary conditions which are a menace to the health, comfort or safety of the public.
- (e) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

SECTION II:

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED THIS 2nd DAY OF March, 2015

MAYOR

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

CLERK

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I the undersigned, hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. o

Clerk of Council