

Proposed: 10/21/2019

ORDINANCE NO. 94-2019 (SMS), *Second Reading*

By Council Member Cobb

An Ordinance repealing Part Five, *General Offenses Code*, of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland Heights, Chapter 505, *Animals and Fowl*, of the Codified Ordinances, and adopting a replacement Chapter 505, *Animals and Fowl*.

WHEREAS, in 2012, the General Assembly made changes to the Ohio Revised Code, specifically Chapter 955, to eliminate breed specific criteria for designating dogs as vicious or dangerous; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 505 of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinance contains breed specific definitions applicable to determining when a dog is a vicious dog; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to modify Chapter 505 of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinance to define a vicious dog without reference to the breed of dog, and to otherwise modify the City's regulation on the keeping and control of dogs.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1: An amended Chapter 505 of the Codified Ordinance of the City of Cleveland Heights, *Animals and Fowl*, is hereby adopted to read in total as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

SECTION 2: Current Chapter 505 of the Codified Ordinance of the City of Cleveland Heights, as it existed prior to the effective date of the ordinance, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: Notice of passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time permitted by law.

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CAROL ANN ROE, Mayor
President of the Council

SUSANNA NIERMAN O'NEIL
Acting Clerk of Council

PASSED: November 4, 2019