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CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE 86-2

AN ORDINANCE OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
AMENDING SECTION 2-4, CODE OF LAWS, MANATEE
COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING NEW DEFINITIONS,
AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECRETARY OF COUNTY
MAY 15 1986

WHEREAS, Chapter 2-4, Code of Laws, Manatee County, Florida regulates treatment and use of animals and fowl in Manatee County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Manatee County to amend the definitions of Chapter 2-4, Code of Laws, Manatee County, Florida to clarify the intent of that provision.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

1. Section 2-4-1, Code of Laws of Manatee County, Florida, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 2-4-1. Definitions.

The following terms, as used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context shall indicate otherwise:

- (a) 'Animal' shall be held to include every living creature, not of the genus Homo sapien, capable of self-locomotion.
- (b) 'At large' shall mean off the premises of the owner and not under the control, custody, charge or possession of the owner or other responsible person either by leash, cord, chain, voice command or othererwise.
- (c) 'Dangerous or vicious animal' shall mean any animal which due to its size, temperament, strength or dangerous propensity, is likely to cause injury to person, property or other animals, or any animal which exhibits traits which are ungovernable, or any animal which displays a habit of unprompted biting of persons or other animals, or has a history of biting one or more persons without provocation.

"A" Animals (definition of dangerous vicious)

- (d) 'Euthanasia' shall mean the humane or merciful killing or death of any animal by a veterinarian or appropriate authorized official.
- (e) 'Farm animal' shall mean every animal, excluding dogs and cats, which is normally found and associated with an agricultural activity or use, including the term 'livestock' as defined by the Florida Statutes.
- (f) 'Owner' shall mean any person, as herein defined, who owns, keeps, harbors or controls any animal.
- (g) 'Person' shall mean any natural person, firm, association, corporation or legal entity and the agents and employees thereof.
- (h) 'Torture, torment or cruelty' shall be held to include every act, omission or neglect whereby unnecessary or unjustifiable pain or suffering is caused, permitted or allowed to continue when there is reasonable remedy or relief available to prevent such except when done in the interest of medical science."

2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the receipt of the official acknowledgement from the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida that this Ordinance has been filed.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida in open session this the 6th day of May, 1986.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: *Richard H. ...*
Chairman 5/6/86

ATTEST: R. B. SHORE
Clerk of the Circuit Court

[Signature]

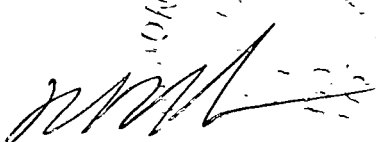
STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MANATEE

I, R. B. Shore, Clerk of Circuit Court, in and for the County of Manatee, State of Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ORDINANCE adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of said County in session on the 6th day of May, 1986.

SUBJECT: ORDINANCE 86-2
AN ORDINANCE OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
AMENDING SECTION 2-4, CODE OF LAWS, MANATEE
COUNTY FLORIDA, PROVIDING NEW DEFINITIONS,
(OF DANGEROUS OR VICIOUS ANIMALS);
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WITNESS My Hand and Official Seal this the 7th day of May,
1986, in Bradenton, Florida.



R. B. Shore, Clerk of Circuit Court
Manatee County, Florida



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
George Firestone
Secretary of State

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May 12, 1986

Honorable R. B. "Chips" Shore
Clerk of Circuit Court
Manatee County Courthouse
Post Office Box 1000
Bradenton, Florida 33506

R. B. SHORE
CLERK CIRCUIT COURT
MANATEE CO. FLORIDA

Dear Mr. Shore:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 125.66, Florida Statutes, this will acknowledge:

1. Receipt of letter/s of May 5, & May 8, 1986
and certified copy/ies of Manatee Zoning Ord.
County Ordinance(s) #Z-86-42 & Regular Ordinances
86-2, 86-13, and 86-14
2. Receipt of _____ County Ordinance(s)
relative to:
 - (a) _____
which we have numbered _____
 - (b) _____
which we have numbered _____
3. We have filed this/these Ordinance(s) in this office
on May 12, _____ 1986.
4. The original/^{one each}duplicate copy/ies showing the filing date
~~is~~/are being returned for your records.

Cordially,

(Mrs.) Liz Cloud, Chief
Bureau of Administrative Code

LC/ mb

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