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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 24-02 (GENERAL)

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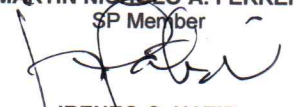

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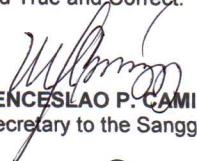

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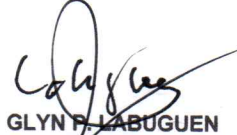

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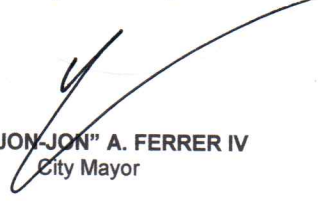
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AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING DOMESTICATED LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY FROM ROAMING IN PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 (RA 7160) states that local government units shall promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to prohibit the proliferation of stray animals along the national, provincial, city/municipal and barangay roads which are nuisance and dangerous to the lives and properties of commuters;

WHEREAS, the damage and harm inflicted by the stray animals on properties, plants, and human beings are often cause of problems and dispute among the residents in barangays;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Felix A. Grepo duly seconded by SP Member Vivencio Q. Lozares, Jr.,

Be it ordained by the Sanggunian, that:

Section 1. SHORT TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as “PROHIBITING STRAY ANIMALS IN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS ORDINANCE”.

Section 2. COVERAGE – This Ordinance shall cover all persons owning or taking care of animals within the City of General Trias.

Section 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS – As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- a. **Animal – domesticated livestock and poultry such as but not limited to cow, carabao, goat, sheep, horse, pig, chicken, etc.;**
- b. **Animal Control Officer – a local government personnel designated to enforce and implement this Ordinance and his/her authorized representatives;**

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- c. **Animal Pound Center** – public facility or enclosure intended for stray or confiscated animals for temporary custody managed by the City Government;
- d. **Herdsman** – the caretaker, employee or tenant of any person or firm in lawful possession of such animals;
- e. **Impounded Animal** – any stray livestock and poultry seized by an Animal Control Officer for the purpose of keeping at the Animal Pound Center;
- f. **Large Animal** – any animal weighing at least 151 kilograms;
- g. **Small Animal** – any animal weighing 150 kilograms or less; and
- h. **Stray Animal** – any animal at loose or elsewhere wandering in public places along national or provincial highways, city/municipal and barangay roads unattended by owner or herdsman.

Section 4. PROHIBITED ACTS

- a. No person shall allow animals in his/her custody to wander in public places within the territorial jurisdiction of the City;
- b. It shall be unlawful for any personnel of the Animal Pound Center to maltreat, torture, poison or inflict suffering or harm to any impounded animal;
- c. It shall be unlawful for any person to oppose, resist or interfere with the Animal Control Officer or Animal Pound Center personnel from performing their duties;
- d. No wildlife, exotic, or endangered animals seized while wandering in public places shall be subject for impoundment but right upon capture, shall be forthwith committed to proper care and custody of the Provincial Government Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) or the City Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO);
- e. No bomb-sniffing, drug-sniffing or any police dog shall, for any reason, be subject to impoundment;

Section 5. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

- a. **ANIMAL POUND CENTER** - There shall be established an Animal Pound Center within the City of General Trias which shall exclusively function as temporary shelter for all impounded animals. The installation of the pound shall be in coordination with the Office of the City Planning and Development Coordinator (OCPDC).

The Animal Pound Center shall be situated at a definite site with an environment not harmful to animal's health and safety.

Animal Pound Center shall be open to the public seven (7) days a week from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. All records shall be accessible to the public as well.

- b. **IMPOUNDMENT** - All stray animals shall be seized and impounded at the Animal Pound Center until such time that the same are properly released to its lawful claimant.


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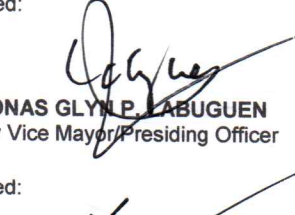

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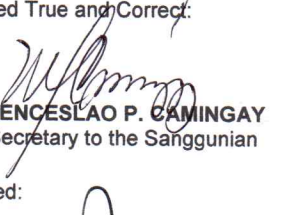

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Before proceeding to the impounding area, a blotter must be first filed in the barangay concerned where the animal has been caught.

Impoundment period shall not exceed three (3) calendar days including Saturday and Sunday. Stray animals not claimed within three (3) calendar days from impoundment become property of the City and shall be sold at public auction as per Section 4E.04 (b) of Municipal Ordinance No. 15-05.

All animals impounded shall be entitled to proper custody, care, shelter and sustenance to be provided by the City Government.

Animals died during the impoundment period shall be disposed off according to proper veterinary and health procedures. The Animal Pound Center shall not take any responsibility for any animal death except when such death can be proven to have been due to neglect or deliberate cruelty on the part of the personnel concerned.

Section 6. AUTHORITY TO SEIZE AND IMPOUND – Authority is hereby granted to the following Local Government personnel to seize and cause the impoundment of any stray animal right at the instance of sighting:

- a. Barangay Official or Barangay Tanod;
- b. Philippine National Police (PNP) Personnel; and
- c. Animal Control Officer under the Office of the City Veterinarian.

The Office of the City Veterinarian shall ensure that the abovementioned personnel possess the necessary equipment and training on humane handling of animals.

Section 7. NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT - Within 12 hours from the time the animal is subjected for impoundment, the personnel-in-charge shall locate and identify its animal owner, after which, notice of impoundment shall forthwith be issued and served to such person.

Impounded animal which is not claimed within three (3) calendar days from the date of impounding shall be considered abandoned, thus becomes eligible for adoption and may be released to any interested party or the City Government may apply the term stipulated in Section 4E.04 (b) of Municipal Ordinance No. 15-05.

The personnel-in-charge of the Animal Pound Center shall conduct an everyday inventory of impounded animals and make a list thereat, complete with corresponding identifiable description to include species, breed, color and other unique markings, if any, and post such list at designated public posting boards within the City.

The barangays shall be advised in writing by the Office of the City Veterinarian of recently conducted stray animal control operation in their vicinity within 24 hours. Such information shall be posted in the barangay bulletin board.

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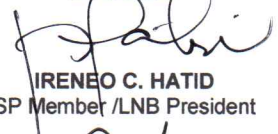

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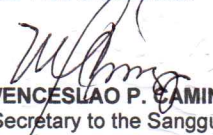

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Section 8. REDEMPTION OF ANIMALS AND FEES - An owner or caretaker of an impounded animal, who has secured a notice of impoundment, may redeem the impounded animal after payment of the necessary fees and charges within three (3) calendar days from impoundment of such animal.

Whenever an animal owner or caretaker, after due notice, deliberately refuses or neglects to redeem an impounded animal within the allowable period prescribed, he/she shall be made to pay a fine corresponding to Two Hundred Pesos (Php 200.00) for each day within a period of three (3) calendar days.

The Office of the City Treasurer is authorized to collect and issue corresponding receipts in the following amounts as fees in connection with the use of Animal Pound Center:

- a. Php 200.00 - for every day of impoundment or custody for small animal; and
- b. Php 300.00 - for every day of impoundment or custody of large animal.

Section 9. PENALTY - Violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall subject the violator to the following fines as penalties:

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| a. First Offense | A fine of Php 1 000.00; |
| b. Second Offense | A fine of Php 3 000.00; and |
| c. Third Offense | A fine of Php 5 000.00. |

In case of damage to property, the owner or caretaker of an impounded stray animal shall pay, in addition to the fines imposed above, the amount of damages incurred, if any, to the owner of the property damaged.

Section 10. APPROPRIATIONS - The amount necessary to implement the provisions of this Ordinance shall be taken from the Office of the City Veterinarian as maybe deemed available for the purpose.

Section 11. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If any portion of this Ordinance is declared invalid, the remaining of this Ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section 12. REPEALING CLAUSE - Municipal Ordinance No. 4-95 known as "ISANG KAUTUSAN NA NAGBABAWAL AT NAGPAPATAW NG KAPARUSAHAN SA SINO MANG TAO NA MAGPALIGAW O MAGPALPAS NG MGA ALAGANG HAYOP TULAD NG BAKA, KALABAW, KAMBING AT IBA PANG URI NITO SA MGA BUKIRIN NA MAY MASISIRANG PANANIM AT LANSANGAN NA NASASAKUPAN NG BAYAN NG HENERAL TRIAS" is hereby repealed.

All ordinances, rules, and regulations or part thereof where provisions are in conflict or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 13. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE - This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its posting at three (3) conspicuous places in the City of General Trias.

ORDAINED under THIRD/FINAL READING on 09 JANUARY 2024.

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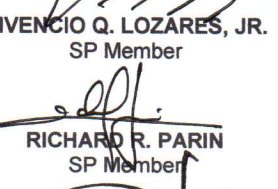

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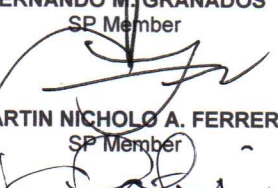

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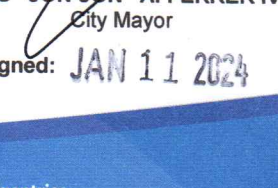

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