



ORDINANCE NO. 21-504
TOWN OF MOUNT CARMEL, TENNESSEE
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 10 CHAPTER 2 OF THE MOUNT
CARMEL MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING THERETO SECTION 10-
211 ENTITLED "PROHIBITED TETHERING"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
OF THE TOWN OF MOUNT CARMEL, TENNESSEE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is hereby adopted Section 10-211:

10-207. "Prohibited Tethering." Any person who confines or tethers a dog for an unreasonable period of time or in a manner not in compliance with the provisions of this section shall be subject to the civil penalty provisions of this code.

(1) Definitions:

- a.) "Tether." to fasten, chain, or restrain a dog by means of a chain, rope, tether, leash, or other device that attaches to a stationary object, cable, or trolley system.
- b.) "Unreasonable." Tethering for 12 hours or more per 24-hour day. A dog must be untethered for not less than 12 hours per day.

(2) Permitted tethers. Tethers must conform to each of the following:

- a.) Tether must be at least six (6) feet long, or three (3) times the length of the dog, whichever is greater.
- b.) The weight of a tether must not exceed 1/8 of the dog's body weight.
- c.) A tether must allow convenient access to a dog's shelter, food, and water.

(3) Areas permitted for tethering. The area within which a dog is tethered must be free of any hazard which could be of potential danger to the dog to include but not be limited to pools, roadways, filth, and objects that would allow the dog to become entangled by or due to the dog's tether.

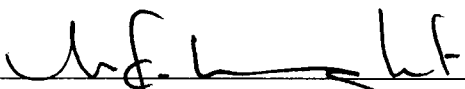
(4) Shelter required for tethered dogs. When tethering a dog pursuant to the requirements in this section, a dog must have access to shelter that is adequate enough to prevent the dog from being fully exposed to the elements.

Section 2. If any provision within this Ordinance is found to be in conflict with prior Ordinances, the contents of this Ordinance shall be deemed to control.

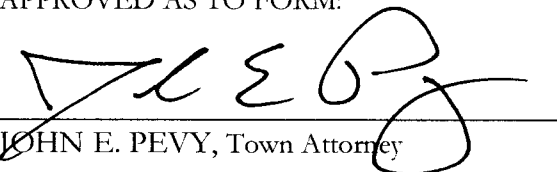
Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage, the law requiring it.


PAT STILWELL, Mayor

ATTEST:


MIKE HOUSEWRIGHT, City Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


JOHN E. PEVY, Town Attorney

MOTION: Alderman Gibson			
SECOND: Alderman Fleishour			
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Alderman Mindy Fleishour	X		
Alderman John Gibson	X		
Alderman Jim Gilliam		X	
Alderman Steven McLain		X	
Alderman Darby Patrick	X		
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