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VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 1159

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6.04, OF THE VILLAGE  
OF MELROSE PARK MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE  
KEEPING OF ANIMALS, FOR THE VILLAGE OF MELROSE  
PARK, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

ADOPTED BY THE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE  
VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK

THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2008

RONALD M. SERPICO, Village President  
MARY ANN PAOLANTONIO SALEMI, Village Clerk

Board Of Trustees

JOHN S. CONTEDEUCA  
CATHLEEN COSSIDENT ITALIA  
ARTURO J. MOTA  
ANTHONY J. PRIGNANO  
MARY RAMIREZ TACONI  
JAIME ANGUIANO

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Published by authority of the  
President and Board of Trustees  
Of the Village of Melrose Park,  
Cook County, Illinois on  
This 11<sup>TH</sup> day of MARCH 2008

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**WHEREAS**, the Village of Melrose Park, County of Cook, State of Illinois (the “Village”) is a duly organized and existing village created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois, and is operating under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, with full powers to enact ordinances and adopt resolutions for the benefit of the residents of the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village President (the “President”), the Honorable Ronald M. Serpico, the Village Clerk, the Honorable Mary Ann Paolantonio Salemi (the “Village Clerk”), having taken office on May 2, 2005, and the Board of Trustees of the Village (the “Village Board”), the Honorable John S. Conteduca, Cathleen Cossident Italia, Arturo J. Mota, Anthony J. Prignano, and Mary Ramirez Taconi, having taken office on May 14, 2007, and the Honorable Jaime Anguiano, having taken office on March 10, 2008, constitute the duly elected, qualified and acting officials of the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board deems it advisable and necessary for the benefit of the Village and the health, safety, and welfare of its residents to amend the Village of Melrose Park Municipal Code (the “Village Code”) regarding the keeping of domesticated animals; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Melrose Park, County of Cook, State of Illinois, as follows:

**ARTICLE I.  
IN GENERAL**

**Section 01. Incorporation Clause.**

All of the recitals hereinbefore stated as contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true and correct, and the Village Board does hereby, by reference, incorporate and make them part of this Ordinance as legislative findings.

**Section 02. Purpose.**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Chapter 6.04 of the Village Code regarding the keeping of animals.

**Section 03. Invocation of Authority.**

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the authority granted to the Village by the Constitution of the State of Illinois and the Illinois Compiled Statutes.

**Section 04. State Law Adopted.**

All applicable provisions of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, including the Illinois Municipal Code, as may be amended from time to time, relating to the purposes of this Ordinance are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

**Sections 05-09 Reserved.**

**ARTICLE II.  
AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 6.04**

**Section 10.00 Amendment to Chapter 6.04.**

That Section 6.04.020 of the Village Code is hereby amended, notwithstanding anything to the contrary, by inserting at the end of said section the following language:

No person or family shall harbor, house, keep or maintain in one single-family detached residence four (4) or more domesticated animals of any species (including dogs), exclusive of litters of cats or dogs under six (6) months of age. No person residing in a residential dwelling unit in a building containing two (2)

or more residential dwelling units shall harbor, house, keep or maintain in one dwelling unit two (2) or more domesticated animals of any species (including dogs), exclusive of litters of cats or dogs under six (6) months of age. Any such property found to be in violation of the provisions of this Section of the Village Code shall constitute and be declared a nuisance subject to abatement in accordance with all applicable provisions of the Village Code. The terms and provisions set forth above are to be read as a supplement to and not a replacement of any sections in this Chapter, specifically Sections 6.04.010 and 6.08.090 of the Village Code.

**Section 11.00 – Section 15.00 Reserved.**

**ARTICLE III.  
HEADINGS, SAVINGS CLAUSES,  
PUBLICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE**

**Section 16.00 Headings.**

The headings for the articles, sections, paragraphs and sub-paragraphs of this Ordinance are inserted solely for the convenience of reference and form no substantive part of this Ordinance nor should they be used in any interpretation or construction of any substantive provisions of this Ordinance.

**Section 17.00 Severability.**

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and should any provision, clause, sentence, paragraph, sub-paragraph, section, or part of this Ordinance be determined to be in conflict with any law, statute or regulation by a court of competent jurisdiction, said provision, clause, sentence, paragraph, sub-paragraph, section, or part shall be excluded and deemed inoperative, unenforceable, and as though not provided for herein, and all other provisions shall remain unaffected, unimpaired, valid and in full force and effect. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of the Village Board that this Ordinance would have been adopted had not such unconstitutional or invalid provision, clause, sentence, paragraph, sub-paragraph, section, or part thereof been included.

**Section 18.00 Superseder.**

All code provisions, ordinances, resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded.

**Section 19.00 Publication.**

A full, true and complete copy of this Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form or in a newspaper published and of general circulation within the Village as provided by the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended.

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**Section 20.00 Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall be in effect immediately following its passage, approval and publication, as provided by law.

On The Individual Poll And Voice Vote Of The Board of Trustees:

AYE VOTES: Trustee Italia, Trustee Mota, Trustee Prignano,  
Trustee Taconi, Trustee Anguiano

NAY VOTES:

ABSTAIN:

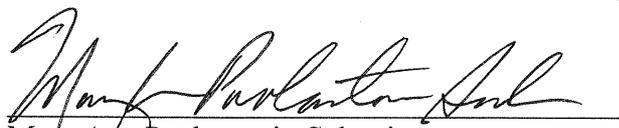
ABSENT: Trustee Conteduca

SO PASSED, ADOPTED, APPROVED AND ENACTED IN AND AT THE VILLAGE  
OF MELROSE PARK, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS TENTH DAY OF  
MARCH, 2008, A.D.

APPROVED:

  
RONALD M. SERPICO  
VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

  
Mary Ann Paolantonio Salemi  
Village Clerk

(SEAL)

Recorded in the Municipal Records: March 10, 2008  
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