

Township of Marple

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MARPLE (THE CODE) CHAPTER 300, ZONING, SECTION 300-14, DEFINITIONS, TO ADD DEFINITIONS FOR THE TERMS “COMPANION ANIMAL”, “DOMESTIC ANIMAL”, “LIVESTOCK” AND “WILD ANIMAL; AND FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 300-115, SPECIAL EVENTS, TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF WILD OR EXOTIC ANIMALS.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MARPLE, DELAWARE COUNTY, PA, DOES HEREBY ENACT AND ORDAIN:

SECTION I: The Code of the Township of Marple, Chapter 300 Section 300-14, Definitions, is amended by adding the following terms and definitions: -

**COMPANION ANIMAL** - . Any type of animal that is commonly kept by persons as a pet or for companionship and includes but is not limited to domesticated dogs, domesticated cats, ferrets, gerbils, guinea pigs, hamsters, horses, mice, rabbits, and rats.

**DOMESTIC ANIMAL**- Any animal that is Livestock, a Companion Animal, or both.

**LIVESTOCK** - Poultry, cattle, swine, sheep, goats, horses, donkeys, and mules.

**WILD OR EXOTIC ANIMAL.** Includes, but is not limited to, the following orders or families, or similar orders or families, whether bred in the wild or in captivity, and any hybrid thereof, including with Domestic Animals. The examples identified in parentheses are not intended to be an exhaustive list and do not limit the generality of each group of animals, unless otherwise specified:

- (1) Non-human primates (chimpanzees, monkeys, lemurs);
- (2) Felidae (except domesticated cats);
- (3) Ursidae (bears);
- (4) Proboscidea (elephants);
- (5) Camels.
- (6) Animal or animal classification prohibited in Chapter 95, section 95-36 of the Marple Township Codified Ordinances (Ord No. 71-16)

SECTION II: That Section 300 -115 be amended to add the following new subsection:

§ 300-115 Special events.

- (I) The use of or performance of any domestic, wild or exotic animal, for public entertainment or amusement shall be prohibited except in conjunction with a permitted zoological garden, menagerie or exhibition of an educational institution.

SECTION III: This Ordinance is intended only to amend Chapter 300 of said Code, and such parts of said Chapter or Code that are not inconsistent with the terms of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect

SECTION IV: Any Ordinance or part of any Ordinance to the extent it is inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed

SECTION V: This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after passage

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this     day of     2018

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ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sharon Angelaccio  
Township Secretary

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph Rufo, President  
Board of Commissioners