SPONSORED BY:

COUNCILOR ARTHUR



A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ANIMALS; ARTICLE I, IN GENERAL; SECTION 6-1 DEFINITIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach, Florida has determined that it is necessary to amend Chapter 6 as set forth below.

Now, therefore, be it ordained by the City Council of Neptune Beach, Florida:

Sec. 6-1. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

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Owner means any person, firm, corporation or organization owning, harboring, keeping or having control or custody of an animal or, if the animal is owned by a person under the age of eighteen (18), that person's parent or guardian. There shall be a rebuttable presumption that the person's name appearing on the animal's registration or radio frequency identification device (RFID), commonly known as a "microchip," is the owner.

Poultry means domesticated fowl of all kinds such as chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese and the like.

Physical Control means adequate restraint to prevent the animal from engaging in biting, aggression towards people or animals, straying, being at-large, as defined herein, or other behaviors regulated by this ordinance or state law by the use of a proper leash or similar device attached to an appropriate collar or harness. To maintain effective physical control the animal must be on a leash not to exceed sixteen feet (16) at its maximum extension. Nothing in this definition is intended to prevent dogs being on training leashes or while engaged in other appropriate activities under adequate control where care is taken to assure control as needed is available to prevent violations of this ordinance. Likewise, nothing in this definition is meant to limit the use of a Service

Dog, however, that the Service Dog is otherwise under the handler's control and the handler requires the use of Service Dog that is not physically restrained.

Section 2. The Ordinance shall become effective on after passage by the City Council.

VOTE RESULTS OF FIRST READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Elaine Brown	Υ
Vice Mayor Scott Wiley	N
Councilor Rory Diamond	Υ
Councilor Richard Arthur	Υ
Councilor Fred Jones	Υ

Passed on First Reading this 5th day of June, 2017.

VOTE RESULTS OF SECOND AND FINAL READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Elaine Brown	Υ
Vice Mayor Scott Wiley	N
Councilor Rory Diamond	Υ
Councilor Richard Arthur	Υ
Councilor Fred Jones	Υ

Passed on Second and Final Reading this 5th day of July, 2017.

Etaine Brown, Mayor

ALLEST:

Amanda Askew, Acting City Clerk

Approved as to form and content:

Patrick Krechowski, City Afforney

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