

**TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 555.12**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 6 "ANIMALS," ARTICLE I "IN GENERAL," SECTION 6-1 "KEEPING RESTRICTIONS," RELATING TO THE FEEDING OF STRAY OR OWNERLESS CATS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 6-1 of the Town of Golden Beach (the "Town") Code of Ordinances (the "Town Code") currently regulates the keeping of animals on property within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council desires to modify such regulations to prohibit the feeding of stray or ownerless cats within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds this amendment to be in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the Town.

**NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals Adopted.** That the recitals set forth above are hereby adopted and confirmed.

**Section 2. Amendment.** That Chapter 6 "Animals," Article I "In General," Section 6-1 "Keeping Restrictions" of the Town of Golden Beach Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 6-1. - Keeping restrictions.**

- (a) No more than four animals may be kept on any residential property in the Town.
- (b) No cows, goats, horses, pigs or other cloven-footed animals or other livestock may be kept in the Town.
- (c) No monkeys or apes or poultry or fowl may be kept on any residential lot except as may be permitted by variance pursuant to section 66-41 on any residential lot.
- (d) No more than three reptiles in cages within a residence may be maintained on any residential lot.

(e) The outdoor feeding of stray or ownerless cats, so as to cause them to congregate in numbers on or near a given property, is prohibited as a public nuisance and public health hazard.

**Section 3. Severability.** That the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but they shall remain in effect it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

**Section 4. Conflict.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of the Code of Ordinances, all ordinances or parts of ordinances, and all Resolutions, or parts of Resolutions, in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 5. Inclusion in the Code.** That it is the intention of the Town Council and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Town of Golden Beach Code of Ordinances, that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intentions, and that the word Ordinance shall be changed to Section or other appropriate word.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption on second reading.

**Sponsored by** Councilmember Judy Lusskin.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was offered by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Councilmember Bernstein, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Absent</u>
Vice Mayor Amy Isackson-Rojas	<u>Nay</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on first reading this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2012.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was offered by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Councilmember Bernstein and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Amy Isackson-Rojas	<u>Nay</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Absent</u>

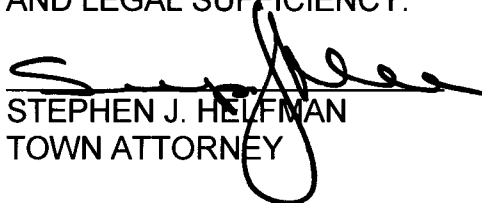
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on second reading this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

ATTEST:

  
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LISSETTE PEREZ  
TOWN CLERK

  
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MAYOR GLENN SINGER

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

  
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STEPHEN J. HELFMAN  
TOWN ATTORNEY