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TOWN OF SENECA

Proposed LOCAL LAW 2 OF THE YEAR 2010

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING DOG LICENSING REGULATIONS IN THE TOWN OF SENECA, NEW YORK

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Seneca as follows:

Section 1: Short Title.

This local law shall hereafter be known as the "Dog Licensing Law of 2010."

Section 2: Legislative Intent.

The purpose of this local law is to establish the dog licensing regulation in the Town of Seneca.

Section 3: Legislative Authority.

This local law is enacted pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, with the procedural provisions thereof controlling the adoption hereof.

Section 4: Provisions.

The Code of the Town of Seneca will include this Dog Licensing of 2010.

Article I

1. Licensing of Dogs:

- a. All dogs in the Town of Seneca shall be licensed with the Town Clerk by the age of four (4) months. The individual licensing the dog shall present a current Certificate of Rabies Vaccination at the time of licensing or the renewal of any previously issued license. All dog licenses shall be issued for a period of one year. The license shall expire on the last day of the twelfth (12) month following the issuance of the license.

2. Procedure and Fees

- a. A. Fees for licensing of Dogs:

- i. The fee for a spayed or neutered dog shall be reviewed by the board annually and remain unchanged absent of a board action.
- ii. The fee for an unsprayed or unneutered dog shall be reviewed by the board annually and remain unchanged absent of a board action.
- iii. Enumeration fee: When the Town Board determines the need for a dog enumeration, a fee shall be assessed for any dog determined to be unlicensed or with a license expired for over thirty (30) days at the time the enumeration is conducted. This fee shall be reviewed by the board annually and remain unchanged absent of a board action.
- iv. The Town of Seneca will not charge a licensing fee for a certified guide dog, service dog, hearing dog or police work dog as defined in Agriculture and Markets Law § 108 or subsequently amended.
- v. Dog licenses shall be purchased from the Town Clerk. In the event licensing or renewal of a license by mail, the appropriate fee must accompany the license form, as well as the certificate of Rabies vaccination.
- vi. Licensing fees will be applied to funding the administration and enforcement of this law.

b. Penalties:

- i. Any person convicted of a violation of this law shall be liable for a civil penalty of a maximum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for a first violation; of a maximum of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) for a second violation; and of a maximum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for any subsequent violation. Any fines or penalties imposed pursuant to this law shall be the responsibility of the owner of the dog.

Section 5: Effective Date.

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State of the State of New York subsequent to having been duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Seneca.

