

ORDINANCE

Of The Township Of Pittsgrove
In The County Of Salem, State Of New Jersey

**An Ordinance To Prohibit The Feeding Of Unconfined
Wildlife On Property Owned By The Township Of Pittsgrove**

SECTION I – PURPOSE

An ordinance to prohibit the feeding of unconfined wildlife in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Pittsgrove, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

SECTION II – DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Feed – To give, place, expose, deposit, distribute or scatter any edible material with the intention of feeding, attracting or enticing wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.
- b. Person – Any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Wildlife – All animals that are neither human nor domesticated.

SECTION III – PROHIBITED CONDUCT

- a. No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Pittsgrove, any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (for example, wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers, or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers).

SECTION IV – ENFORCEMENT

- a. This ordinance shall be enforced by the Pittsgrove Township Public Works Department.
- b. Any person found to be in violation of this ordinance shall be ordered to cease the feeding immediately.

SECTION V – VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be punishable by one or more of the following: a fine of at least \$100.00 but not exceeding \$1,250.00; or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days; or by a period of community service not exceeding 90 days.

SECTION VI – SEVERABILITY

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VII - INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

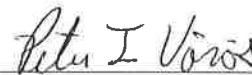
SECTION VIII - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon due passage and publication as provided by law.

ATTEST:



Constance S. Garton, Clerk



Peter I. Voros, Mayor

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given the foregoing proposed Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Pittsgrove, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, at a regular meeting held on the Eleventh Day of October, 2005. A public hearing will be conducted by the Township Committee at a regular meeting to be held at 7:30 p.m. on the Twenty Fifth Day of October, 2005, in the Municipal Building, 989 Centerton Road, Pittsgrove, New Jersey, after which the ordinance will be considered for final passage.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Constance S. Garton', written over a horizontal line.

Constance S. Garton
Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF PITTSGROVE

COUNTY OF SALEM

NOTICE OF FINAL PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE

16 - 2005

AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT THE FEEDING OF UNCONFINED WILDLIFE ON PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PITTSGROVE

TAKE NOTICE that the above-titled ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Pittsgrove, in the County of Salem, held October 11, 2005, and after posting and publication according to law, was again read and further considered for final adoption after a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Township Committee held October 25, 2005 at which meeting said ordinance was adopted.



Constance S. Garton
Township Clerk