# PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 23-014 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING

# PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 56 "ANIMAL NUISANCES"

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Pilesgrove that the following addition be made to **Chapter 56, Animal Nuisances**, of the Code of the Township of Pilesgrove:

Addition of

Section 56-34 Wildlife Feeding Ordinance:

## (A) Purpose

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

#### (B) Definitions

- 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.

## (C). Prohibited Conduct.

- a. The placement of food outside of residence without a licensed pet prohibited. No property owner shall permit food for any animal to be placed outside of his/her home unless he/she is the owner of a licensed pet and the food is placed in the outside area where the pet is kept.
- b. No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by Pilesgrove Township any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (for example, wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers, or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers, or feral cats as part of an approved Trap-Neuter-Release program).
- (D). **Enforcement**.\_This ordinance shall be enforced by the Pilesgrove Township Zoning Officer. Any person found to be in violation of this ordinance shall be ordered to cease the feeding immediately.

## (E). Violations and Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$200.00.

(F). 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.

#### (G). Effective date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Keyh Eachus, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Fackler, Clerk

September 12, 2023

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Pilesgrove after second reading and a public hearing held the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

Melissa	Fackler,	Clerk	