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of Florence

Local Law No. 1 of the year 20 03

A local law Confinement Law
(Insert Title)

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

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Confinement Law

Town of Florence

LL-1-2003

1. Statement of Authority. The Town Board of the Town of Florence pursuant to the authority granted it under Article 4 of the Town Law, Article 21 of the Public Health Law of the State of New York and Sections 10 and 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York hereby adopts as follows:

2. Statement of Purpose and Findings. The Town Board of the Town of Florence hereby finds that there is a danger to the residents of the Town of Florence who are bitten by animals due to possible rabies infection. The Town Board wishes to provide measures to insure the health and safety of its residents under these circumstances by providing for the confinement of animals under Town supervision following any such incidents to insure that no rabies infections take place.

3. Enactment. The Town Board of the Town of Florence hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1 - Title - Confinement of Animals - Rabies

Section 2 - Confinement Authorized

The animal control officer for the Town of Florence is hereby authorized and directed to confine any animal which is alleged to have bitten any person within the Town of Florence following such incident for a period of ten (10) days for observation. The animal control office shall be allowed to destroy such animal in accordance with rules and regulations of the Public Health Department under Article 21 of the Public Health Law in the event that symptoms of rabies appear within such ten (10) day period. In the event that no such symptoms appear within that time period, the animal may be released to its owner.

Section 3 - Cost and expenses

The owner of any animal that shall have bitten any person and been confined pursuant to this local law, shall be responsible to pay to the Town of Florence the cost of confinement of such animal.

Section 4 - Home Confinement Prohibited

Home confinement of animals alleged to have bitten any individual is hereby prohibited within the Town of Florence.

Section 5 - Penalties

Any person who shall violate the provisions of this local shall be guilty of an offense which shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) and/or fifteen (15) days in jail or both.

Article 4. - Severability. If any part of this Chapter shall be found to be void, voidable, or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, it shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any remaining section or provision of this Chapter.

Article 5. - Effective Date. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.