

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF CLAYTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2007 - 194

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AS AMENDED, SPECIFICALLY PART II, *CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA*, CHAPTER 14, ANIMALS, ARTICLE VII, CRUELTY, SO AS TO AMEND SAID ARTICLE TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION "8" TO SECTION 14-166 PROHIBITED TREATMENT; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING LAWS, ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS; TO PROVIDE SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF CLAYTON COUNTY AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED

Section 1. The *CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA*, as amended, is hereby further amended by amending Part II, *CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA*, Chapter 14, Animals, Article VII, Cruelty, Section 14-166, Prohibited treatment, by adding a new subsection 8 to the existing Section 14-166 which shall now read as follows:

**"Sec. 14-166. Prohibited treatment.**

It shall be unlawful for any person, either by commission or omission:

- (1) To confine an animal in a vehicle in an inhumane manner such that the animal becomes overheated or lacks adequate ventilation or is otherwise harmed.
- (2) For any owner to fail to provide any animal under his control with proper food, fresh water, or veterinary care. For the purpose of this subsection, owner shall mean any person, legal entity, corporation, partnership, firm, or trust owning, possessing, or having custody and control of the premises where the animal is located.
- (3) To fail to provide any animal under his care with access to shelter consisting of not less than three walls, flooring other than ground and a roof adequate to protect it from all types of weather, 24 hours daily.
- (4) To abandon any animal.
- (5) To allow an animal under his control to be kept in unsanitary conditions.
- (6) To keep or confine an animal under his control in other than a humane manner.
- (7) To allow any animal to be transported in any moving vehicle without the vehicle being enclosed or the animal confined so that it may not jump or fall out or be injured in any manner.

(8) To unjustifiably cause death or physical pain or suffering to any animal."

Section 2. All laws, ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. If any part of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect the remainder of this enactment, and such remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its approval by the Board of Commissioners.

**SO ORDAINED**, this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 2007

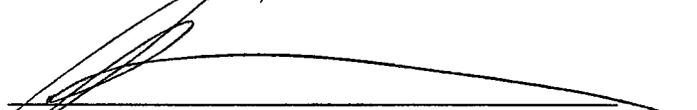
CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
EDRIN BELL, CHAIRMAN

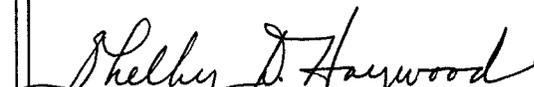
  
SONNA SINGLETON, VICE CHAIRWOMAN

  
VIRGINIA BURTON GRAY, COMMISSIONER

  
WOLE RALPH, COMMISSIONER

  
MICHAEL EDMONDSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

  
SHELBY D. HAYWOOD, CLERK