

ORDINANCE NO. 6

Series 1987

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF A DANGEROUS ANIMAL
TOWN OF PITKIN, STATE OF COLORADO**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Pitkin has determined that it is detrimental to the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Town for any person or entity to keep or to have present a dangerous animal; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that it would be in the best interest of the Town to prohibit such dangerous animals within the Town limits;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PITKIN, THAT:

Section 1. Dangerous animals, whether domestic or non-domestic, are declared to be a public nuisance and shall be exiled from the Town.

"Dangerous animal" means any animal that may cause harm or fear from harm without protection or warning. The Board of Trustees are empowered to specifically define and enforce the meaning of "dangerous animal".

Section 2. No person shall keep a nuisance animal. Keeping such an animal during separate days constitutes separate offenses. If an individual is deemed to be responsible for a nuisance animal by the Court, the Court shall order that the individual either evidence immediate ability to control the nuisance animal so that it will no longer be a nuisance animal, or remove the nuisance animal from the community. Any person who fails to comply with an Order of the Court is in contempt of Court. Any aggrieved resident of the Town may commence an action for the abatement of a nuisance animal. If such a plaintiff is successful, the Court shall award reasonable attorney's fees, if any were incurred.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Board of Trustees and provided it has been approved by the Mayor of Pitkin, Colorado.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED THIS 14th day
of July, 1987.

SIGNED BY THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF PITKIN, COLORADO, ON THIS
14th DAY OF JULY, 1987.

Ramon Reed
Ramon Reed, Mayor

Attest:

Patti Barr
Patti Barr, Town Clerk

