

**ORDINANCE REQUIRING CONFIRMATION OF INOCULATION
OF DOGS FOR RABIES**

WHEREAS, the Kendall County Board has an obligation to protect the health of the citizens of Kendall County pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/5-1052; and

WHEREAS, the Kendall County Board Chairman has appointed an Administrator pursuant to sections 2.01 and 3 of the Animal Control Act; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator so appointed has a duty, pursuant to Section 5 of the Animal Control Act, to control and prevent the spread of rabies in Kendall County; and

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Animal Control Act requires every owner of a dog 4 months or more of age not confined at all times to an enclosed area, to cause such dog to be inoculated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian, and requires such veterinarian to enter evidence of such rabies inoculation on a certificate, the form of which shall be approved by the Kendall County Board, and which shall be signed by the licensed veterinarian administering the vaccine; and

WHEREAS, Section 24 of the Animal Control Act specifically provides that the Animal Control Act shall not be held to limit the power of a County to further control and regulate dogs, including a requirement of inoculation against rabies; and

WHEREAS, the Kendall County Board believes that confirmation of inoculations with the Administrator is a reasonable and desirable method of tracking compliance with Section 8 of the Animal Control Act; and

WHEREAS, the Kendall County Board believes that requiring owners of dogs to exhibit a rabies inoculation tag is a reasonable and desirable method of tracking compliance with Section 8 of the Animal Control Act; and

WHEREAS, the Kendall County Board believes that adoption of this Ordinance does not place an unreasonable burden on the citizens affected by this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Kendall County Board believes that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interest of the citizens and residents of the County of Kendall;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. All terms used in this ordinance shall have the meaning given them in the Animal Control Act, as amended from time to time.
2. Within thirty (30) days of the date on which a licensed veterinarian administers a rabies

vaccine to a dog, in the County of Kendall, said licensed veterinarian shall deliver to the Administrator or Animal Control Warden, a confirmation of said inoculation on a form approved by the Administrator.

3. Every owner of a dog required to receive a rabies inoculation pursuant to the Animal Control Act, shall at all times exhibit a rabies inoculation tag issued by the Kendall County Board through the Administrator, by affixing said rabies inoculation tag to the dog's collar, which collar shall be worn by the dog around its neck.
4. Any person who violates paragraph 2 of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a petty offense. A conviction for this offense shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00. A second conviction for the violation of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$250.00. A third or subsequent conviction for violation of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$250.00 nor more than \$500.00.
5. Any person who violates paragraph 3 of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a petty offense. A conviction for this offense shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00. A second conviction for the violation of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$250.00. A third or subsequent conviction for violation of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$250.00 nor more than \$500.00.
6. Each day's violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.
7. This Ordinance shall take effect on: January 1, 1999

ATTEST:

Paul Condean

Clerk

John Church
Chairman