

## The Gates Condominium Association

### Community Pet Reminder

As the community of The Gates grows larger with more and more families bringing their pets to the area, the Board wishes to remind everyone of the Rules and Regulations regarding animals in the community as well as Harris Township guidelines for pets. Thank you for your attention to the below and contact our office with any questions.

#### **The Gates Declaration of Condominium:**

##### Section 11 – Animals

No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept in any Unit on the Property except that a cat or dog, or other domesticated household pet may be kept, provided that it is not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purpose, and said pet must be housed indoors, and conform to all local ordinances and regulations. There shall be a limit of two pets per unit. All animal feces shall be removed from the Unit or Common Elements by the pet owner, immediately and a fine of **\$25.00/day/violation** may be levied by the Executive Board for failure to comply with this section.

#### **Harris Township Guidelines:**

##### 6-1.4 – Confinement and Control of Dogs

- a. Confined within the premises of the owner.
- b. Firmly secured by means of a collar and chain, leash, rope or other device so that it cannot stray beyond the premises on which it is secured.
- c. Under the reasonable control of some person, or when engaged in lawful hunting, exhibition or field training.

##### 6-1.5 – Excessive Barking

- a. It shall be unlawful for any owner or keeper to harbor any dog which barks repetitively during any given one-hour period, or which barks continuously for a period of 10 consecutive minutes or more, and which is audible on any adjacent property or public right-of-way.
- b. Upon the first offense, the dog owner or keeper shall be given a written warning notice by personal service or certified mail, return receipt requested.
- c. It shall be a condition precedent to any enforcement proceeding to show that a written warning was issued to the dog owner or keeper within the previous twelve-month period.

##### 6-1.6 – Removal of Feces

- a. The owner or keeper shall immediately remove and dispose of all feces deposited by any dog on private or public property not under the control of the owner or keeper of such dog. Owner or keeper shall dispose of the feces in a sanitary manner.
- b. It shall be unlawful for any owner or keeper of any dog to allow feces to accumulate on private property, owned or controlled by the owner or keeper, to a level which is detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of persons or property, as determined by the Harris Township Ordinance Enforcement Officer or police officer conducting the investigation of the property.
- c. The accumulation of dog feces upon private property is declared to be a public nuisance.