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**ORDINANCE NO. 13-09 (Revised)**

**TO AMEND SECTION 505.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE TO ESTABLISH A LEASH LAW WITHIN SPECIFIED AREAS**

WHEREAS, the Village periodically receives complaints from residents that dogs are running loose with the potential of destroying property and inflicting bodily injury; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this ordinance is to establish a leash law for the Village of Granville in specified areas that will assist to prevent property damage and/or bodily injury due to dogs running at large; and

WHEREAS, the interaction of dogs and persons may pose particular problems on East Broadway in the downtown area of Granville; and

WHEREAS, the Lights, Streets, Safety, and Utilities Committee of the Village Council has recommended that a leash law be established for the downtown area on East Broadway between Main Street and Pearl Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Granville, Ohio that:

Section 1. Section 505.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Granville is hereby amended to read as follows:

**"505.01 DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE.**

(a) No person being the owner or having charge of cattle, sheep, geese, ducks, turkeys, chickens or other fowl or animals shall permit them to run at large upon any public place, or upon any unenclosed lands, or upon the premises of another.

(b), No person being the owner of or having charge of any dog, whether wearing a registration tag or not, shall permit it to run at large upon any public place or upon the premises of another. No owner, keeper or harbinger of any female dog shall permit such dog to go beyond the premises of such owner or keeper at any time such dog is in heat, unless such dog is properly in leash. Subject to the provisions of paragraph (c) below, the owner or keeper of every dog shall at all times keep such dog either confined upon the premises of the owner or keeper, or under reasonable control of some person.

(c) No person being the owner of or having charge of any dog shall permit the dog to enter upon any public property on East Broadway between Main Street and Pearl Street unless the dog is securely restrained by a leash and is under the full and complete care of a person of suitable age and discretion to control the dog. Exceptions to this requirement include when a dog is lawfully engaged in a sanctioned demonstration or show and accompanied by the owner or person having charge of the dog.

(d) ~~(e)~~ The running at large of any such animal in or upon any of the places mentioned in this section is prima-facie evidence that it is running at large in violation of this section.

(e) ~~(d)~~ Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.”

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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Melissa Hartfield, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mollie Prasher, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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D. Michael Crites, Law Director