CITY OF DALTON GARDENS
ORDINANCE NO. 92

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING LEVELS OF ANIMAL CONTROL
WITHIN DALTON GARDENS, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO; SETTING
FORTH THE PURPOSE OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS;
MAKING IT UNLAWFUL TO HARBOR OR KEEP MORE THAN THREE (3)
DOGS PER FAMILY ON A RESIDENTIAL LOT; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES
FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALTON GARDENS, IDAHO:

SECTION 1: <u>PURPOSE</u>. The purpose of this Ordinance shall be to secure and maintain such levels of animal control within the City of Dalton Gardens as to limit the impact of maintaining and keeping dogs within the City so that the keeping of them shall not be offensive to the neighbors of the keeper. It is not the purpose of this Ordinance to remove the City of Dalton Gardens from thos municipalities wherein the County of Kootenai is exercising animal control authority pursuant to Ordinance No. 66 of Kootenai County, Idaho.

In deliberating and passing this Ordinance, the Mayor and Council have determined that the keeping and maintaining of more than three (3) dogs per family on a lot in the City of Dalton Gardens could result in conduct which is offensive to the senses, creates excessive noise, disturbs the peace and quiet of the neighbors, and interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life.

## SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS:

- 1. "Dog" means any domesticated canis familiaris or hybrid thereof.
- 2. "Owner" shall mean the person or persons owning, keeping or harboring a dog.
- 3. "Family" shall mean any number of individuals living together as a single housekeeping unit and doing their cooking on the premises exclusively as one household.
- 4. "Lot" shall mean the parcel of land on which a principal building and its accessory buildings are placed or are to be placed, together with the required open spaces, or a "lot" designated as such on an officially recorded plat.

SECTION 3: <u>KEEPING OR HARBORING DOGS</u>: It shall be unlawful for any family to harbor or keep in excess of three (3) dogs on any lot in the City of Dalton Gardens. However, the litter of a female dog may be kept with the dog, and the litter together with the mother shall count as one dog until the litter reaches six (6) months of age.

SECTION 4: <u>PENALTIES</u>: Any person who shall keep, harbor or maintain more than three (3) dogs on any lot in the City of Dalton Gardens, other than as permitted by Section 3 hereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by imprisonment in the County Jail for

a period not to exceed six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 5. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on its passage and approval and publication in one issue of the Coeur d'Alene Press, the official newspaper of the City of Dalton Gardens.

Passed under suspension of the rules upon which a roll call vote was duly taken and enacted an Ordinance of the City of Dalton Gardens at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 5th day of January, 1984.

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