IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON
FOR THE COUNTY OF YAMHILL
SITTING FOR THE TRANSACTION OF COUNTY BUSINESS

In the Matter of an Ordinance to Amend the Yamhill County Dog Control Ordinance, No. 449; Revising the Dog Licensing Fees; and Declaring an Emergency

ORDINANCE NO. 544

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF YAMHILL COUNTY, OREGON ("the Board") sat for the transaction of county business in special session on December 9, 1992, Commissioners Ted Lopuszynski, Debi Owens, and Dennis L. Goecks being present.

WHEREAS, the Yamhill County Dog Control Ordinance, No. 449, Section 5.4(c) requires:

"A late license fee shall be assessed against any owner or keeper of a dog who in any year fails to obtain a license within 30 days of the date specified in Section 5.1 of this ordinance. All late fees shall be paid in addition to the original license fee at the time of issuance of the license."; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems it appropriate to authorize a limited period of amnesty from late fees for persons who have not been cited for owning or keeping unlicensed dogs and who voluntarily apply for dog licensing; NOW THEREFORE,

THE YAMHILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Yamhill County Dog Control Ordinance, No. 449 is hereby amended as follows.

(1) Notwithstanding any contrary provision in the Yamhill County Dog Control Ordinance, No. 449, the Sheriff may establish one or more limited time periods each year during which persons shall be allowed to apply for a dog license for previously unlicensed dogs without incurring a late fee, as provided in this section.

(2) Within the limits of staffing ability, the Sheriff shall develop a public information program about the amnesty designed to encourage county residents to obtain licenses for previously unlicensed dogs.

(3) The Sheriff shall consult with the Dog Control Advisory Committee in establishing the dog license amnesty program as part
of the Committee's public education program under Section 3.2 of Ordinance No. 449.

Section 2. Severability Clause. If any section or subsection contained in this ordinance is found to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall continue in full force and effect unless those parts, standing alone, are incapable of being executed in accordance with legislative intent.

Section 3. Emergency Clause. This ordinance being necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Yamhill County, and an emergency having been declared to exist, shall be effective immediately.

DONE at McMinnville, Oregon this 9th day of December, 1992.

ATTEST

CHARLES STERN
County Clerk

YAMHILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Ted Lopuszynski
Chairman

By: Jaynie Mitchell
Deputy

Debi Owens
Commissioner

FORM APPROVED BY:

JOHN C. PINKSTAFF
Assistant County Counsel

Debi Owens
Commissioner

DENNIS L. GOECKS
Commissioner