ORDINANCE NO. 16 of 2011

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 196 "NUISANCES" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE CITY, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that Margate City Code Chapter 196 shall be amended to ADD the following sections:

SECTION 1: Section 196, Nuisances, Article III, Prohibited Animals, shall be amended to ADD the following sections:

Section 196-8. Purpose and Intent. This article is adopted in order to protect the health, safety and well-being of persons and property by prohibiting certain animals within the City of Margate City. It has been determined that the harboring of certain animals within the City may be offensive to other residents so as to constitute a public nuisance and may pose a threat to the safety of its inhabitants and their property.

Section 196-9. Prohibited Animals. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, have in his or her possession or under his or her control or to permit another to keep, maintain or have under his or her control within the City limits any cattle, chickens, bees, goats, guinea hens, hogs, horses, ocelots, pigs (including potbelly pigs), pigeons, sheep, swine or any other animal that is deemed by the City to constitute a nuisance and/or be dangerous to the health, safety or well-being of persons or property. The foregoing enumeration is not intended to be all-inclusive. The determination of whether or not an animal is deemed to be a nuisance and/or endangerment shall be made either by the City=s Code Enforcement Officer or a Police Officer of the Police Department.

Section 196-10. Violations and Penalties. Any person who violates any provision of this Article shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days, or both. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency only.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication and in the manner provided by law.

Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, New Jersey

Introduction: July 21, 2011

Enactment: August 4, 2011