ORDINANCE NO. 127.

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF DOGS (EXCEPT IN INCORPORATED CITIES, WITHIN THE COUNTY OF SOLANO): THE IMPOUNDING AND KILLING OF UNLICENSED DOGS, RUNNING AT LARGE, IN VIOLATION OF STATE LAW; CREATING THE OFFICE OF COUNTY POUND MASTER AND PROVIDING A LICENSING FEE,ound Fee, AND COSTS; DECLARING THE VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE TO BE A MISDEMEANOR, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE LAW.

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SOLANO DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. It is hereby made the duty of the County Clerk annually to procure and issue upon proper application being made, serially numbered metallic license tags, stamped with the name of the county and the year of issue, which shall be issued to owners of dogs who make application direct, or by mail to the County Clerk, or to the County Poundman for the same. Each application shall state the age, sex, color, and breed of the dog for which the license is required and the address of the owner. The County Clerk shall endorse on the application the number of the license tag issued, and all applications so endorsed shall be kept on file in the office of the County Clerk open to public inspection. Such license shall apply from the first day of March each year and shall expire at midnight the last day of February.

If any person fails to renew a license upon fifteen days after the prescribed time, he must pay a penalty of one dollar ($1.00) in addition to the regular license fee.

SECTION 2. It is hereby made the duty of the County Clerk to demand and receive the sum of twenty-five cents, as a fee for receiving and filing any application for dog license, together with the further sum of fifty cents upon issuing and delivering the metal license tag hereinbefore described.

SECTION 3. The compensation of the County Clerk for issuing said license tag is hereby fixed at the sum of ten cents for each tag issued, such fee to be taken from the Dog Ordinance Fund.

SECTION 4. It is hereby made the duty of the Board of Supervisors in March of each year, if necessary, to change the license fee, compensation of County Clerk, and other hereafter mentioned County Pound Master, fees and fines for dogs impounded, as the said Supervisors may determine necessary from the experience of the past year.

SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful for any person to own, control, harbor, or keep any dog over the age of three months, which dog has not been licensed under the provisions of this ordinance, and to which dog has not been substantially attached by collar or otherwise the metal license tag above mentioned.

SECTION 6. There is hereby created the office of the County Pound Master, whose duty it shall be to enforce the provisions of this ordinance and to impound and receive any and all dogs not registered and licensed under the provisions of this ordinance, running at large. That for the performance of said duty, said County Pound Master shall receive, and shall be paid, the sum of $150.00 per month plus fifty cents ($.50) for each unlicensed dog impounded during that month, the same to be paid out of license fees and fines imposed, and collected from the owners of impounded animals, and from no other source, the county assuming no responsibility for any payment in excess of said funds.

No dog impounded under the provisions of this ordinance shall be killed, or otherwise disposed of, until seventy-two hours after notice has been given to the owner, if he be known,
and no dog impounded under the provisions of this act shall be killed before seventy-two
hours have elapsed from the time of the taking up of such dog.

SECTION 6. For the taking up and impounding of any unlicensed dog, the Pound
Master shall receive fifty cents in addition to his regular monthly salary, provided the
fund created by this act warrants it during that month. In addition, said Pound Master
shall receive ten cents per day for each day the dog is lawfully kept for its feed and
care. Owner of an unlicensed dog may redeem same by payment of two dollars and the regular
license fee and registration fee, plus ten cents a day for the time the dog has been
lawfully kept.

The County Pound Master shall pay into the County Treasury all fees, costs,
and fines, and all other moneys received by him and it shall be placed to the credit of the
Dog Ordinance Fund, which fund is hereby created. The County Pound Master shall be paid as
other county employees are paid, monthly, by warrant of the county auditor drawn upon said
fund.

SECTION 7. It is hereby declared that this ordinance was, and is, enacted under
the authority of an act entitled:

"An act to restrict the running of dogs at large; to protect live stock
from depredations of dogs; to provide for the issuance of dog license tags
by counties, and the disposition of funds received as fees therefor; making
the violation of the provisions of this Act a misdemeanor, and providing
penalties therefore, and providing for the collection of damages by owners
of livestock injured by dogs? (Approved June 3, 1921. Stats. 1921, c. 1306;
and statutes amendatory thereof.)

To the effect that said act shall be fully and completely carried out within the
County of Solano; that the penalties provided in said Act are hereby adopted as the
penalties for the violation of the terms of this ordinance.

SECTION 8. It is hereby declared that in the event any part of this ordinance,
or any section thereof, or any phrase or paragraph thereof, shall hereafter declared
unconstitutional, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano would have enacted
this ordinance irrespective of such constitutionality, and that no part of this ordinance
shall be abated because any other part may be declared unconstitutional.

SECTION 9. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days from and after its
passage, and the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to cause this ordinance
to be published in "The River News and Banner", a newspaper of general circulation printed
and published in the County of Solano, State of California, for at least one week prior to
the fifteenth day after its passage.

SECTION 10. Violation of any of the terms of the above ordinance shall be a
misdemeanor and punishable by fine not less than twenty-five ($25.00) dollars, nor more
than five hundred ($500.00) dollars, or imprisonment in the County Jail for not less than
thirty (30) days nor more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
The foregoing ordinance was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano, at a regular session of said Board on the 2nd day of March, 1931, by the following vote:

Ayes: Supervisors Birchoff, Christensen, Danielson, Sheveland and Schmeiser.

Nays: None. Absent: None.

C. E. Schmeiser
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano, State of California.

ATTEST:

G. G. Halliday,
County Clerk and Ex officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.