### NOTICE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an ordinance entitled:

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-13**

## ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 104-2, TO PROHIBIT WILDLIFE FEEDING IN THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

was introduced at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge held on August 9, 2005 at the Municipal Building, 55 Park Avenue, in the Borough of Park Ridge and that said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge to be held on September 13, 2005 at the Municipal Building, 55 Park Avenue, Park Ridge, New Jersey at 8:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at which time and place anyone interested in said ordinance will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Karen Hughes

Borough Clerk

The above mentioned Ordinance is as follows:

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# ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 104-2, TO PROHIBIT WILDLIFE FEEDING IN THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of Park Ridge have been advised to prohibit the feeding of all unconfined wildlife in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Borough of Park Ridge; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council have deemed it to be the best interest as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply; and

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance is a part of the required State mandate to establish a wildlife feeding restriction;

**NOW THEREFORE,** Be It Ordained by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that Chapter 104-2 is amended to add the following new section:

**SECTION I.** No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Borough of Park Ridge, any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (for example, wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers, or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers); including but not limited to;

- 1. Giving, placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering any edible material with the intention of feeding, attracting or enticing wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.
  - 2. All animals that are neither human nor domesticated.

**SECTION II. PENALTY.** Section 104-2 violations and penalties is repealed and replaced in its entirety with the following:

Any person who is found guilty of violating any section of this chapter, shall be punished by a fine of up to One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) and or 90 days imprisonment to be determined at the discretion of the Municipal Court.

**SECTION III. SEVERABILITY.** If any section, or clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The governing body of the Borough of Park Ridge declares that it would have passed the ordinance and each section and subsection

thereof, irrespective of the facts that one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

**SECTION IV. INVALIDITY.** If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the reminder of this ordinance, but shall be confirmed in its effect to the section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered and all other provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law following final passage, adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

APPROVED: Donald J. Ruschman, Mayor ATTEST: Karen Hughes, Borough Clerk