Presented by: City Manager Action Taken: Yes____ No____ Abstain___

CITY OF NOME, ALASKA ORDINANCE NO. O-24-06-09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10.30.100 OF NOME CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REQUIRE PROOF OF RABIES VACCINATION PRIOR TO IMPORTING ANY DOG INTO THE CITY OF NOME AND AMENDING THE MINOR OFFENSE FINE SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, the City of Nome endeavors to promote a healthy and safe environment for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Nome regulates vaccinations under Nome Code of Ordinances; and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 10.30 requires dogs, cats, and horses be licensed within the City of Nome; and

WHEREAS, proof of vaccination for rabies and parvovirus is required to obtain such license; and,

WHEREAS, the Nome Common Council wishes to clarify that proof of rabies vaccination is required to import any dog into the City of Nome;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Nome Common Council as follows:

SECTION 1. Classification. This is a Code ordinance.

SECTION 2. Amendment of Section 10.30.100. Section 10.30.100 of Nome Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows [additions are <u>underlined</u>; deletions are <u>overstruck</u>]:

(a) No person shall import or assist the import of any dog into the city unless and until said dog has been immunized against

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Parvovirus <u>and rabies</u> at least seven days prior to entry of said dog into the city.

(b) Proof of immunization shall be submitted to the city clerk in the form of a signed certification by a licensed veterinarian, or such other similar form of proof acceptable to the city clerk.

(c) Dogs imported into the city without proof of immunization shall be seized and quarantined at the expense of the owner or claimant, and may be destroyed twenty-four hours after seizure unless the owner or claimant removes said dog from the greater Nome area or produces proof of immunization within said twentyfour-hour period. (Ord. O-14-01-01 § 2 (part), 2014)

(d) A person who violates this section is guilty of an infraction and upon conviction shall be fined in the amount set forth in NCO Section 1.20.040, plus any surcharge required by AS 12.55.039. Each day a person commits a violation of this chapter constitutes a separate offense.

SECTION 3. Amendment to Section 1.20.040. Section 1.20.040 of the Nome Municipal Code is hereby amended to include the following addition to the fine schedule:

| Code Section | Offense | Penalty/Fine |
|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 10.30.100 | Proof of Immunization | \$500 |

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This ordinance is effective upon passage.

APPROVED and **SIGNED** the 10th day of June, 2024.

JOHN K. HANDELAND Mayor

ATTEST:

DAN GRIMMER City Clerk