AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON, PART SIX GENERAL OFFENSES CODE, CHAPTER 618 ANIMALS, SECTION 618.13 NUISANCE CONDITIONS PROHIBITED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS: Council has determined that it is necessary to amend the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Royalton, Part Six General Offenses Code, Chapter 618 Animals, Section 618.13 Nuisance Conditions Prohibited regarding the feeding of animals in the municipality; and

WHEREAS: Council desires to provide for this amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. Chapter 618 Animals, Section 618.13 Nuisance Conditions Prohibited of the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Royalton, is hereby amended and shall hereinafter read as follows:

618.13 NUISANCE CONDITIONS PROHIBITED.
   (a) No person shall keep, or harbor, or feed any animal or fowl in the Municipality so as to create noxious or offensive odors or create unsanitary conditions which are a menace to the health, comfort or safety of the public.
   (b) No person who is responsible for any animal shall fail to immediately remove the animal's excrement from public lands or from the property of another, excepting a blind person working with a guide dog.
   (c) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be subject to the penalty provided in Section 698.02.

Section 2. Section 618.13 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Royalton is hereby amended as provided for herein and all other provisions of Chapter 618 shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall supersede all previously adopted Ordinances in direct conflict herewith.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 5. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the city, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to amend the language regarding the feeding of animals in the municipality.

THEREFORE, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

/s/ Larry Antoskiewicz  APPROVED:  /s/ Robert A. Stefanik
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL  MAYOR
DATE PASSED:  April 17, 2012  DATE APPROVED:  April 18, 2012
First reading suspended
Second reading suspended
Third reading April 17, 2012

ATTEST:  /s/ Laura J. Haller
DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

YEAS:  Antoskiewicz, Nickell, Willey, Marnecheck, Muller, Kasaris
NAYS:  none
ABSENT:  Petrusky