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**HONIARA CITY ACT 1999****HONIARA (DOGS) (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 2023**

In exercise of the powers under sections 34 and 35 of the *Honiara City Act 1999*, the Honiara City Council makes the following Ordinance:

**1 Citation**

This Ordinance may be cited as the *Honiara (Dogs) (Amendment) Ordinance 2023*.

**2 Commencement**

This Ordinance commences on the date it is published in the Gazette.

**3 Modification of By-laws to Ordinance**

Pursuant to section 51(f) of the *Honiara City Act 1999*:

- (a) the name “The Honiara (Dogs) By-laws” is modified to “Honiara (Dogs) Ordinance”; and
- (b) for the purposes of subsection (a), a reference to “by-law” or “by-laws” in the Principal Ordinance is modified to be replaced by “Ordinance” or “section of the Ordinance”, whichever appropriately meets the reference, and any such reference shall be read and construed, with modifications (if any), as a reference to the relevant section or provision of the Principal Ordinance.

**4 Principal Ordinance amended**

The *Honiara (Dogs) Ordinance* (“**Principal Ordinance**”) is amended.

**5 Repeal and replacement of section 3(2)**

Section 3(2) of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and replaced with the

following:

“(2) A person who fails to comply with subsection 3(1) commits an offence.

Maximum penalty: 5,000 penalty units or imprisonment for 3 months, or both.”.

## **6 Repeal and replacement of section 9**

Section 9 of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and replaced with the following:

### **“Disposal of unclaimed dogs**

9 (1) Any dog that is not registered or having a Honiara City Council identification tug or disc, and not claimed after 2 days is considered a stray dog and the Honiara City Council must dispose of the dog.

(2) Any dog that is registered or having a Honiara City Council identification tug or disc shall be impounded and detained by Honiara City Council for 2 days only, and if the dog is not claimed after 2 days, the Honiara City Council must dispose of the dog.”.

## **7 Section 11 amended**

Section 11 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by deleting “and liable to a fine of ten dollars, or in default of payment, to imprisonment for three weeks” and substituting the following:

“Maximum penalty: 1,000 penalty units or imprisonment for 3 weeks, or both”.

## **8 Section 12 amended**

Section 12 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by deleting “and liable to a fine of ten dollars, or in default of payment, to imprisonment for three weeks” and substituting the following:

“Maximum penalty: 500 penalty units or imprisonment for 3 weeks, or both”.

## **9 Section 13 amended**

Section 13 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by inserting “or law enforcement officer” after “officer of the Council”.

## **10 Section 14 amended**

Section 14 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by inserting “or law enforcement officer” after “officer of the Council”.

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Mayor of Honiara City

ASSENTED to by the Minister on thirteenth-day of November 2023.

**HON. CHRISTOPHER LAORE**

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