

ORDINANCE NO. 27-2005

**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LIVINGSTON ADDING A NEW ARTICLE VI "WILDLIFE FEEDING"
TO CHAPTER 68 ANIMALS OF THE GENERAL CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LIVINGSTON**

Section 1. Purpose.

To prohibit the feeding of unconfined wildlife in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Livingston, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare.

Section 2. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

FEED -- to give, place, expose, deposit, distribute or scatter 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.

PERSON -- any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.

WILDLIFE -- all animals that are neither human nor domesticated.

Section 3. Prohibited Conduct.

No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Livingston, any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (for example, wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers, or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers).

Enforcement.

A. This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department of The Township of Livingston and/or the Livingston Animal Wardens.

B. Any person found to be in violation of this ordinance shall be ordered to cease the feeding immediately.

Section 4. Violations and penalties.

Unless another penalty is expressly provided herein, any person who violates any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding \$500, or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days, or both. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

Section 5. Except as hereby amended, the General Code of the Township of Livingston shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

DAVID B. KATZ, Mayor

GLENN R. TURTLETAUB, Township Clerk

Approved as to form:

SHARON L. WEINER, Township Attorney
Adopted: 9/19/05