as applied to any particular situation or set of circumstances be declared invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity shall not be construed to affect the portions of this Ordinance not so held to be invalid, or the application of this Ordinance or other circumstances not so held to be invalid. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board to provide for separable and devisable parts and the Board does hereby readopt any and all parts hereof as may not be held invalid for any reason.

## VIII. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

- (a) It shall be a violation of this Ordinance:
  - 1. to fail to comply with any provision of this Ordinance; or
  - 2. to fail to comply with any lawful order of an Animal Services Officer unless such order is lawfully stayed or reversed.
- (a) Each sale, exchange, barter, offer for sale, auction, delivery, adoption, or other transfer of a Dog or Cat in violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.
- (b) Each day's, or part thereof, violation of any provision of this Ordinance shall be a separate offense of this Ordinance.

## IX. FEES

Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance or who fails to do anything required by this Ordinance as the same exists or as it may hereafter be amended shall be amenable to the process of the Magistrate Court of Lowndes County. The maximum punishment for a violation of this Ordinance shall be a fine of \$1,000 or imprisonment for 60 days, or both.

## X. REPEALER

The provisions of any prior Ordinance pertaining to Animal Services, or the other matters herein, which conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SO ADOPTED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, to be effective immediately, the public health, safety, and general welfare demanding.

	Board of Commissioners of Lowndes County
	By: Bill Slaughter, Chairman
ATTEST:	Bill Staughter, Chairman
Belinda Lovern, Clerk	