ORDINANCE NO. 3-2013

An Ordinance Concerning the Keeping of Fowl Within the Town of Iliff, Colorado

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF ILIFF, COLORADO:

- 1. It shall be unlawful to place or maintain backyard chickens in any area unless the following conditions and requirements are met:
 - a. A Backyard Chicken License must be approved by the Town of Iliff. A non-refundable application fee shall be submitted with the Backyard Chicken License Application. The initial fee for a Backyard Chicken License will be \$25.00 and may, from time to time, be adjusted by resolution of the Board of Trustees.
 - b. No more than 10 backyard chickens are permitted per dwelling unit or school.
 - c. Roosters are prohibited.
 - d. Other poultry or fowl are prohibited. No person may own or keep any other game bird, domestic fowl, etc., including ducks, quail, geese, pigeons or turkeys.
 - e. Backyard chickens are required to be kept in and shall stay within a designated chicken coop and chicken run that shall meet the following requirements:
 - i. The chicken coop and chicken run shall be located in the rear or backyard of a residential or school property.
 - ii. Neither the coop nor run shall be located between the rear of the principal structure and the front yard lot line.
 - iii. The coop shall be set back at least six feet from any side or rear property line.
 - iv. Coops shall be predator resistant and have a solid, covered roof. Coops shall provide adequate shelter from the elements.
 - v. Food and water shall be provided on-site in adequate amounts and shall be accessible to the chickens at all times.
 - vi. During daylight hours, the chickens shall have access to a chicken run that is adequately fenced to keep the chickens in the run and to protect the chickens from predators and the chickens shall also have access to a chicken coop.
 - vii. From dusk until dawn, the chickens shall be protected from predators by being enclosed within a chicken coop.
 - viii. The maximum chicken coop size is 100 square feet.
 - ix. A minimum of two square feet of space per chicken shall be provided in the coop. An additional minimum of two square feet of space per chicken shall be provided in the run.

x. The maximum height of a coop shall be no more than seven feet at the highest point of the roof.

xi. No chickens, coop, or run shall be located in common areas of

a multi-unit, multi-use, or multi-family property.

xii. Chicken coops and chicken runs shall be well ventilated, shall be well maintained, and shall be regularly cleaned to control dust, odor, vermin, and waste and shall not constitute a safety hazard or health problem to surrounding properties.

h. No on-site slaughtering of chickens is allowed.

- i. Chicken feed shall be stored in resealable, airtight, predator- and vermin-proof containers.
- j. Chicken waste shall be stored in resealable, airtight, predator- and vermin-proof containers.
- k. Chickens shall not be allowed to wander in a free-range environment at any time on any property.
- I. Prior to the construction of a chicken coop and chicken run, a building permit must be approved by the Town of Iliff.
- 2. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation of this Ordinance occurs or continues. In addition to any penalty, fine, or fee properly assessed by the Iliff Municipal Court, any person who violates this Ordinance shall pay all expenses, including shelter, food, handling, veterinary care, and expert testimony fees, necessitated by enforcement of this Ordinance.
- 3. Any person convicted of violating this Ordinance shall be fined an amount not less than \$150.00 and not to exceed \$1,000.00.
- 4. If any section, clause, provision, or portion of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction or by any agency or of any kind or by anyone else, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected.
- 5. This Ordinance 3-2013 shall hereby repeal and replace in its entirety Section 1-3 of Ordinance 1-1986, passed March 11, 1986. The remaining sections of Ordinance 1-1986 shall remain in effect as written and as passed by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff on March 11, 1986, or as thereafter amended. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances and resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.
- 6. The Board of Trustees finds that this Ordinance is necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health or safety in the Town of Iliff, Colorado. Therefore, the provisions of this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

INTRODUCED, READ, ADOPTED, APPROVED, PASSED, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff, Colorado, on , 2013. Mayor Town of Iliff ATTEST: Osinie CONNIE SLATER Town Clerk [SEAL] CERTIFICATION I, Connie Slater, Town Clerk of the Town of Iliff, Colorado, hereby certify and attest that the foregoing Ordinance No. 3-2013 was introduced, read, adopted, approved, passed, and ordered published in full at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Iliff, Colorado on the 13 day of Man 2013. This Ordinance was published in the Januar - advoco <u>/6</u>, 2013. DATED: [SEAL] CONNIE SLATER Town Clerk