A Proposed Local Law to Amend Chapter 156, Dogs and Other Animals, of the Code of the Village of Mamaroneck, to add a new provision to new Article VI Pet Dealers and Pet Stores to prohibit the sale of commercially bred dogs and cats

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Mamaroneck, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 156 of the Code of the Village of Mamaroneck, Dogs & Other Animals, is amended to add new Section 156-14.1 to new Article VI Pet Dealers and Pet Stores as follows:

§156-14.1 Prohibition on Sale of Commercially Bred Dogs and Cats In Pet Stores

a. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell any live dog or cat in any pet store, retail business or other commercial establishment located in the Village of Mamaroneck, unless the dog or cat was obtained from an animal shelter or a humane society located in the County of Westchester, or a nonprofit rescue and humane organization registered with the New York State Department of Agriculture.

b. For purposes of this Section, a rescue and humane organization is defined as a New York State nonprofit corporation that is exempt from taxation under Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c) (3), participates in early age spay/neuter of animals, complies with State and local laws regarding the humane treatment of animals, and whose mission and practice is, in whole or in significant part, the rescue and placement of dogs and/or cats.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY
If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or other portion of this Local Law is, for any reason, declared invalid, in whole or in part, by any court, agency, commission, legislative body or other authority of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent portion. Such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof, which other portions shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE
This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the office of the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with section 27 of the NY State Municipal Home Rule Law.