SALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE
No. ______ of 2018

(Limitations on the Sale of Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits, at Commercial Animal Establishments)

An Ordinance Enacting Section 8.04.195 of the Salt Lake City Code Addressing the Sale of Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits, at Commercial Animal Establishments in Salt Lake City

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake City Council has determined the public health, safety and welfare of Salt Lake City (the “City”) will be promoted by prohibiting the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits at commercial animal establishments within the City unless such dog, cat, or rabbit was obtained from a city animal shelter, county animal shelter, animal control agency, humane society, or non-profit rescue organization; and

WHEREAS, Utah Code Section 10-8-84 authorizes the City’s enactment of an ordinance prohibiting such unauthorized sales of dogs, cats, and rabbits in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah:

SECTION 1. Enacting Salt Lake City Code Section 8.04.195. That Salt Lake City Code Section 8.04.195 shall be, and hereby is, enacted to read as follows:

8.04.195: SALE OF DOGS, CATS, AND RABBITS AT COMMERCIAL ANIMAL ESTABLISHMENTS:

A. It is unlawful for any person to display, offer for sale, deliver, barter, auction, give away, transfer, or sell any live dog, cat, or rabbit at any pet shop, retail business or other commercial animal establishment located within the City unless the dog, cat, or rabbit was obtained from:

   a. an animal shelter;
   
   b. an animal control agency;
   
   c. a humane society; or
   
   d. a non-profit rescue organization
B. All pet shops, retail businesses, or other commercial animal establishments selling dogs, cats, or rabbits shall maintain a certificate of source for each animal and shall make it available upon request to any animal control officer, law enforcement officer, code compliance official or other individual charged with enforcing the provisions of this section. For purposes of this section, a certificate of source is defined as any document from an animal shelter, animal control agency, humane society, or non-profit rescue organization that identifies such entity as the source from which the dog, cat, or rabbit was obtained by the pet shop, retail business or other commercial establishment at issue.

C. This section shall not apply to the display, offer for sale, delivery, bartering, auction, giving away, transfer, or sale of dogs, cats or rabbits from the premises on which they were bred and reared.

D. Nothing in this section shall prevent the owner, operator, or employees of a pet shop, retail business, or other commercial animal establishment located in the City from providing space and appropriate care for animals owned by an animal shelter, animal control agency, humane society, or non-profit rescue organization; and maintaining those animals at the pet shop, retail business or other commercial animal establishment for the purpose of public adoption.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. That this ordinance shall become effective ninety (90) days after publication.

Passed by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, this _______ day of _______, 2018.

CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

CITY RECORDER

Transmitted to the Mayor on ____________________________.

Mayor’s Action: _____ Approved. _____ Vetoed.
ATTEST:

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