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Case 13-205456

NOTICE OF NEW DANGEROUS ANIMAL DETERMINATION

Megan C. Kroon 16 Katherine Court Madison, WI 53718

Dear Mrs. Kroon:

On September 7, 2006 your dog "Gucci" a 1 year old, brown in color, male Pit Bull, was declared to be a dangerous animal by the Department of Public Health. This declaration was after several incidents in which Gucci and your other dog Precious, were running at large and charging aggressively at people and two other separate incidents in which they were running at large when they attacked and caused injury to people. The original Dangerous Animal Determination contained a list of RESTRICITONS for keeping Gucci under control, to protect the public from further incidents involving your dog.

On July 26, 2011 your dog Gucci was being kept in Richland County when he attacked and caused serious injury to a visiting insurance adjuster who stopped at the home in which Gucci was being kept. The attack was prolonged and Gucci bit the man multiple times in his hand, wrist, forearm and elbow. The attack continued until one of the dog sitters was able to pull Gucci off the victim. You did not report the attack to Animal Services. Gucci was not current on rabies vaccinations, and you had changed addresses without notifying Animal Services of Gucci's new address. All of these things are stipulated in Gucci's Dangerous Animal Restrictions that you were given and agreed to at the time he was determined to be a dangerous animal and constitute serious Dangerous Animal Restriction Violations.

On July 2, 2013 your dog Gucci was being kept at 16 Katherine Court in Madison when he attacked and caused serious injury to a parking monitor checking out a car in front of your house. The attack was prolonged and Gucci would not let go of the victim despite the victim hitting him over the head multiple times and dragging him into the street in an attempt to get away. It was again found that Gucci was not up to date on his rabies vaccination and you had changed addresses and not notified the Public Health Department of Gucci's new residence. These were again serious Dangerous Animal Restriction Violations.

Based on the above incidents and information the Public Health Department has made a new determination to have Gucci humanely euthanized.

We are making this new determination based upon Gucci's recurring aggression and the fact that you have been unable or unwilling to follow the restrictions and manage Gucci in a manner that would prevent him from causing injury to other people or pets in Madison or Dane County.

Pursuant to MGO 25.22 "Administrative Review", you may appeal this decision to a committee of the Board of Health for Madison and Dane County. You have seven days from the date of the mailing of the department declaration to appeal this declaration. You must make the appeal in writing to the Health Director. We have enclosed a copy of the Ordinance for your review.

Sincerely,

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