# ORDINANCE 06-2004

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTROL OF DOGS BY MEANS OF CONFINEMENT OR LEASH WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF ROME.

### TOWNSHIP OF ROME

# LENAWEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN,

### **ORDAINS:**

Section 1. <u>Title</u>: This Ordinance shall be known as the Rome Township Leash Ordinance.

Section 2. <u>Dogs to be Confined or on Leash</u>: All dogs shall be confined or on a leash, unless engaged in lawful hunting or herding or guarding of livestock, or while accompanied by its owner or custodian, or on the owners property.

Section 3. Ownership: Every person in possession of any dog, or who shall suffer such dog to remain about his premises for a period of five days or more, shall be deemed to be the owner of such dog for the purposes of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Penalty: Any person(s) who is the owner, custodian or who possesses a dog and who shall violate, neglect, or refuse to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed five hundred (\$500) dollars and costs of prosecution, or by being imprisoned in the County Jail for not more than ninety (90) days, or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Court. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense. The imposition of any sentence shall not exempt the offender from compliance with the requirements of this Ordinance.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE:

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect thirty (30) days following publication.