

DECLARATION OF NUISANCE

(DATE)

I, _____, the Bureau Manager of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Animal Control Bureau or their designee, do hereby declare the below listed animal to be a nuisance under Section 3-24 of the Charlotte City Code. The below listed animal is declared a nuisance based on the below enumerated findings of fact. It is my determination that you, _____, of _____, are the owner or harbinger of the animal and are therefore responsible for the animal and its proper confinement, care, and handling.

The following animal has been hereby declared a nuisance: _____

_____ *Description of animal.*

This animal has been declared a nuisance based on the following facts:

1. There is currently an outbreak of the Monkeypox Virus.
2. The CDC, USDA and County Health Officials have identified prairie dogs as the primary vector of the Monkeypox Virus.
3. Federal guidelines have been issued requiring all prairie dogs to be confined at their current location and transfer of the animals has been forbidden.
4. Prairie dogs are a threat to the safety and health of the people in Mecklenburg County.
5. _____
6. _____

Bureau Manager or Designee Signature

ORDER OF CONFINEMENT

PURSUANT TO

DECLARATION OF NUISANCE ON _____.
(DATE)

I, _____, the Bureau Manager of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Animal Control Bureau or their designee, do hereby ORDER the below listed animal to be confined in the below listed manner pursuant to Section 3-24(b) of the Charlotte City Code. The below listed animal has been declared a nuisance. It is my determination that you, _____, of _____, are the owner or harbinger of the animal and are therefore responsible for the animal and its proper confinement, care, and handling pursuant to the below listed terms of this ORDER.

The following animal has been hereby declared a nuisance: _____

_____ *Description of animal.*

This animal is hereby ORDERED confined, by you, in the following manner and only in the following manner. Deviation from the following terms of confinement may result in criminal prosecution and / or seizure of the animal.

1. The Prairie dog will be physically restrained at all times.
2. The Prairie dog will be confined inside a secure caged enclosure within the home sufficient to prevent the opportunity for accidental escape.

3. The Prairie dog shall be segregated from the general public at all times including visitors to the home, other than immediate family members.
4. Until further notice, the prairie dog shall not be transported from your residence for any reason. If a need arises to transport the prairie dog to a veterinarian for medical treatment, you shall notify the Bureau prior to allowing such transportation and then shall only allow such transportation with written permission issued by the Bureau Manager.
5. You shall not sell, lend, or transfer the prairie dog to anyone.
6. _____
7. _____

Bureau Manager or Designee Signature