



### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR BARKING AFFIDAVIT**

- The barking affidavit has 2 pages- Both sides must be completed prior to being notarized.
- Before a citation may be issued, Animal Services requires Barking Affidavits from two or more adult citizens from different residences in the vicinity of the animal. The more neighbors involved, the stronger the case.
- Each person must fill out their own statement completely, and in their own handwriting. No one shall sign another person's name on an affidavit.
- All statements should begin, and end on the same date. Date and Times must be clear and well documented.
- After being notarized, all barking affidavits should be gathered from participating neighbors, mailed and/or delivered to Animal Services together. Please also submit to Animal Services any relevant police report, proof of violation, photography, video or further explanation.
- If violations are observed after the Barking Affidavits have been submitted to Animal Services, please continue to call in complaints.
- Animal Services will contact and educate the animal owner prior to any enforcement activity. Citations will be issued at the discretion of Animal Services.
- Participating citizens (witnesses) may be called into court to testify.
- All information provided to Animal Services is considered Public Record.

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### **BARKING AFFIDAVIT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being sworn, depose and say that based on my personal knowledge the following information is true:

#### **Affiant Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home ph \_\_\_\_\_ Work ph \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ph \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Dog Owner Information:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Dog(s) Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Close proximity: ( ) 25ft or less ( ) 26 to 49ft ( ) 50 to 99ft ( ) 100 to 199ft ( ) 200+ft

Name & Phone number of Witnesses: \_\_\_\_\_

**Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I do reside in the vicinity of the animal(s) in question, that the animal(s) made excessive, disturbing noises at the times and dates indicated on this affidavit and attached time log and that I have read the forgoing Barking Affidavit and that the facts stated in it are true.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Affiant

State of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ (name of Affiant).

Produced Identification \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Identification Produced: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Notary \_\_\_\_\_ (State of Florida Notary Stamp)

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The time log must be accurate. Date, times and descriptions are subject to investigation and verification. Any errors or omissions will cause your statement to be rejected. All information is considered public record. One member of the household will be responsible for maintaining the log. That person must be at least 18 years old and will be designated as the complainant. That person must be the one who signs, and will be required to appear in court, if the defendant pleads not guilty to a citation.

Use the following codes to describe the disturbing noises. Half-hour increments in which coded entries are made must be initialed by the complainant. (1)= Barking (2) = Whining (3) = other (C) = continued (R) = Repeated

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