

**119. ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GROTON, CONNECTICUT TO ESTABLISH A
POOPER SCOOPER MANDATE
(MAY 17, 1999)**

WHEREAS, the City of Groton does not have an Ordinance concerning the removal of dog feces from City of Groton property or property of another individual; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance was established in order to help maintain the beautification of the City of Groton; and

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROTON

Section 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Groton, Connecticut, be amended by adding the following Ordinance to read as follows:

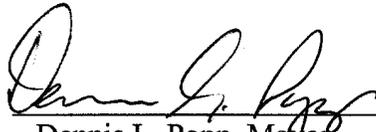
- a. It shall be unlawful for a person who owns a dog or who has custody of a dog to allow or permit such animal to defecate upon any City of Groton property or upon the property of another unless such person shall remove all feces so deposited by such animal and dispose of it in a proper manner.
- b. Any person will be considered to have disposed of feces in the proper manner, if any such person places such matter in a bag or wrapper made of paper or plastic and places it in an appropriate container.
- c. This provision shall not apply to dogs working as guides for persons under the American Disabilities Act.
- d. Any person who violates this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and each such violation is committed or allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punished as such.

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Section 2. Effective Date

This Ordinance was initially approved at the Mayor and Council meeting held on April 5, 1999. It was published in **The Day**, a newspaper having circulation in the City of Groton, on April 8, 1999 and April 16, 1999. This Ordinance was finally approved at the Mayor and Council meeting held on May 17, 1999 and was published in **The Day**, a newspaper having circulation in the City of Groton on May 20, 1999. This Ordinance (Ordinance #119) will become effective on **June 1, 1999**.

Initially approved: April 5, 1999
Finally approved: May 17, 1999



Dennis L. Popp, Mayor



Debra Patrick, City Clerk