UNIVERSITY POLICY PP-01.00 - 05/01

TO: The University of West Florida Community

FROM: Dr. Morris Marx, President

SUBJECT: Animal Control

Policy/Purpose: To articulate UWF Policy concerning animal control on campus and within university facilities

The University of West Florida is located in an area that is inhabited by various species of wildlife. The University endeavors to protect all wildlife, but in particular the wildlife species that are designated as endangered or protected by federal and state laws and regulations.

Animal Control Restrictions include the following:

- No person shall disturb, harm or molest any wildlife, which is found on campus

- Only guide/services dogs are permitted within university buildings. Pets may be walked on campus provided they are on a leash.

Any person who is found to be in violation of this policy may be subject to disciplinary action under UWF Employment Policies, the Code of Student Conduct, and/or arrest and prosecution for violations of federal or state law.

The relocation, removal and/or destruction of wildlife from the University shall be accomplished by officers of the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission and Department of Environmental Protection or persons who are licensed and authorized by those agencies to handle wildlife, with approval of the Vice President for Administrative Affairs.

The removal of stray/abandoned domestic animals shall be accomplished by the Escambia County Humane Society’s Animal Control Unit, the UWF Student Humane Association, or any other entity with authority over stray/abandoned domestic animals.

To initiate the removal or control of animals on the UWF Campus, contact the University Police.

APPROVED: Dr. Morris L. Marx

DATE: 5/31/01