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WHEREAS, excessive feeding of deer in suburban or urban areas produces high concentrations of deer and of other mammal populations; and

WHEREAS, high concentrations of deer in suburban and urban areas can produce adverse conditions including health and sanitation problems, disease, and traffic hazards; and

WHEREAS, close proximity to high concentrations of deer in suburban and urban areas can produce harmful deer-human, or deer-automobile interactions; and

WHEREAS, the consumption of large amounts of grain and corn is detrimental to the health of deer; and

WHEREAS, numerous Austin residents recognize these dangers and are concerned about their property and landscape and the deer population; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Council directs the City Manager to prepare an ordinance amending the city code to prohibit the intentional feeding of deer within the city limits of Austin, and to explore opportunities for community education regarding the feeding of deer.

ADOPTED: <u>December 18</u>, 2008

ATTEST-

Shirley A. Gentry

City Clerk