

To: Rookwood Shareholders

From: The Rookwood Board

Re: Visiting Dogs

Date: July 23, 2013

At the Board's July Board meeting, the issue of dogs who visit shareholders was discussed because several tenants asked for clarity in this area. At the present, dog ownership is not allowed in the House Rules; however, the Board unanimously believes that residents' family and guests may visit an apartment with the dog in tow provided the dog's behavior is not a nuisance and that the dog does not use the building's public spaces. The Board believes that these apartments are our homes and, as such, we would like to provide guidelines that respect the wishes of all residents while balancing the individual rights and wishes of each tenant. In essence, the Board's role is to develop procedures and guidelines that allow each tenant the freedom to live in his or her home without undue encumbrance while providing sensible guidelines to ensure that everyone's quality of life is protected.

Our building's history is one of cooperation and good neighbor relations. Please read and take to heart the provision contained in this memo. It provides clarity about issues related to when a shareholder's guest has a dog.

**Visiting dogs can be in a shareholder's apartment with the visiting owner of the dog for up to 10 days provided its behavior does not cause an unreasonable nuisance as determined by the board.**

**Unreasonable nuisance may not be observed by the board. In order to document such behavior, the Board requests that the following procedure be used if a resident is disturbed by a visiting dog's unreasonable behavior:**

- **Politely contact the neighbor who has a guest with a dog and share your concern about the issue.**
- **Send an e-mail to anyone on the board to note your concern.**

**The Board will deem a visiting dog a nuisance if it receives multiple notices from affected shareholders. At this time, the Board will contact the tenant with the visiting dog about the behavior of the dog and may request that the dog vacate the premises.**

Thank you for your cooperation.

- The Rookwood Board