29 December 2008

Moraga Town Council
P.O. Box 188
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Dear Mayor and Council Members,

To many of us, as the attached list attests, to be able to be with our dogs at Moraga's Rancho Laguna Park during off leash hours is one of the many pleasures that life in Lamorinda offers. In a praiseworthy decision, the Moraga Town Council enacted, some 20 years back, the humanitarian ordinance stating the hours when we and our four-legged companions could walk together joined by a stronger bond than anything physical.

Unfortunately, the above picture is occasionally darkened by the actions of the Contra Costa County Animal Control Services officers. Claiming their presence at the park to be the result of someone's complaint concerning the presence of off leash dogs, they issue citations to law-abiding residents. According to the mentioned officers, it doesn't matter what the Town of Moraga signs state; the park is not a dog park and, therefore, dogs should be on leash at all times, so their reasoning goes.

Evidently, it is of no concern to them that the town ordinance reflects the will of a large number of residents, and that during most of the day, if any dogs at all are present at the park, they're on leash. Actually, in the sole instance when I was at the park when the officers appeared (no citation was issued then), I derived the impression that had no complaint being filed, they wouldn't have been there.

Therefore, we would appreciate it if the Town Council were so kind to include the above topic in the next meeting agenda.

Gratefully,

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