

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK

A DECLARATION OF UNITY: EMBRACING CIVILITY IN ORLAND PARK

WHEREAS, the Village of Orland Park is committed to fostering a culture of respect and understanding, where diverse perspectives and ideas can thrive; and,

WHEREAS, our elected leaders have pledged to lead by example, promoting civility and mutual respect through their words and actions; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal League and the United States Conference of Mayors have recognized the importance of civility in public discourse, inspiring us to take a bold step towards a more harmonious community; and,

WHEREAS, we believe that local leaders can be a beacon of positivity and hope, setting an example for others to follow; and,

WHEREAS, our Village President and Board of Trustees are dedicated to promoting civility through listening, respectful dialogue, and a shared commitment to improving our community; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Orland Park as follows:

Section 1. Embracing Civility

We pledge to foster an environment where everyone feels valued, heard, and respected. We commit to:

- Listening actively and responding thoughtfully
- Upholding the principles of our Constitution and promoting a culture of respect and dignity for all individuals
- Engaging in constructive dialogue that honors diverse perspectives and ideas
- Choosing words carefully and speaking truthfully without malice or distortion

Section 2. Embodying the Values of Civility

We pledge to embody qualities that support a civil society, such as:

- Gratitude for the contributions of others
- Humility in our approach to decision-making
- Openness to new ideas and perspectives
- Public service with integrity and compassion
- Propriety in all interactions
- Kindness and empathy towards one another

Section 3. Leadership by Example

Our elected officials pledge to sign the Civility Pledge and adhere to it in their official actions, demonstrating a commitment to civility that inspires others.

Section 4. Celebrating Our Commitment

A signed copy of this Resolution will be displayed prominently in Village Hall, serving as a reminder of our shared commitment to civility and respect for one another.

By adopting this Declaration, we affirm our collective desire to build a brighter future for all Orland Park residents, founded on the principles of kindness, compassion, and mutual respect.