

**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**, the Illinois Municipal League and the United States Conference of Mayors have recognized the importance of civility in public discourse; and,

**WHEREAS**, our elected leaders pledge to lead by example, and respect the opinions of all individuals, acknowledging that we are all striving to support and improve our community and understanding that we each may have different ideas for achieving that objective, thus. ensuring that any political discourse is directed toward improving the Orland Park Community; and

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

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

**WHEREAS**, in order to formally declare this commitment to civil discourse and to express concern for the common good and wellbeing of all residents of the Village of Orland Park, the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Orland Park hereby adopt this Resolution in the best interests of the Village and its residents.

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

**Section 1:** The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated as findings of fact as if said recitals were fully set forth herein.

**Section 2.** 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

- To not tolerate violence, prejudice or incivility by understanding that we each may have different ideas for achieving our objectives.

### **Section 3. 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 4. 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 5. 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.

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**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,

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# Summary of Comments on 2025-0447 - Civility Resolution Draft - Milani Version

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