## A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE INAUGURAL PARTICIPANTS OF THE HOMEWOOD CITIZEN CIVICS ACADEMY

- WHEREAS, the Village of Homewood desires to recognize several outstanding residents and business owners who participated in the inaugural Citizen Civics Academy; and
- WHEREAS, The dedicated community members spent six weeks learning, observing, and participating in valuable department overviews and open discussions with Village staff ; and
- WHEREAS, The Citizen Civics Academy students were able to tour Village facilities, try on first responder gear, and spend time observing day-to-day operations of our Fire, Police, and Public Works Departments. Additionally, participants spent time learning about Village finances, Economic and Community Development, Building Division, and Manager's Office; and
- WHEREAS, The Village of Homewood takes great pride in the Citizen Civics Academy and has succeeded to engage residents and business owners on a personal level to grow and foster trust and transparency within our community. The Citizen Civics Academy is a program the Village will continue to foster, nurture, and develop so all Homewood residents may participate in the future.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Richard A. Hofeld, President of the Village of Homewood, on behalf of the Village Board of Trustees and its residents, do hereby honor and congratulate the participants of the inaugural Homewood Citizen Civics Academy.

SO PROCLAIMED this 23rd day of April, 2024.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Village of Homewood to be affixed this 23rd day of April, 2024.