Resolution No. 3178

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD BECOMING CERTIFIED AS AN AUDUBON ILLINOIS BIRD CITY

Whereas,	Birds are some of the most beautiful wildlife easily seen and heard in our community,
Whereas,	People value birds and opportunities to observe them year- round,
Whereas,	Birds play an important ecological role in our community and worldwide, and human wellbeing ultimately depends on well- functioning ecosystems,
Whereas,	Bird habitat is declining in the Chicago region, Illinois, and North America,
Whereas,	Two out of three birds are at risk of extinction,
Whereas,	Homewood is located near considerable public land (forest preserves) and contributes to a regional habitat complex,
Whereas,	Birds face multiple threats during their spring and fall migrations and loss of habitat in their summer and winter homes,
Whereas,	Public awareness and education are critical to migratory bird protection and conservation,
Whereas,	Climate change is a threat to birds, therefore local leaders should expand adoption and promotion of environmentally sound practices for our community,
Whereas,	The Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918 is critical legislation that should be upheld in our community to ensure the protection of migratory birds,
Whereas,	Bird City Illinois is an initiative to further build a relationship between Homewood citizens and nature, and a call to action for migratory bird protection and conservation,

Whereas,	Homewood declares that it is in the best interest of the Village and its citizens to support the Bird City Illinois initiative,
Whereas	Homewood has a long history of ensuring greenspace is available and protected for the benefit of the entire community, and
And whereas,	Homewood is a vibrant community with forward-thinking citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, that:

SECTION ONE - RECITALS:

- 1. The above recitals are incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
- 2. The Village of Homewood, by adoption of this Resolution, hereby shows its support of the Bird City Illinois initiative.
- 3. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, said invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

SECTION TWO - EFFECTIVE DATE:

This resolution shall be in full force after its passage, approval, and publication in accordance with the law.

PASSED and APPROVED this 12th day of March, 2024.

ATTEST:

Village President

Village Clerk

Ayes: ____ Abstentions: ____ Absences: ____