

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, economic development and community development are essential functions of the Village of Homewood to ensure economic vitality, sustainable growth, high quality of life, and sound development practices within the Village limits;

WHEREAS, such functions rely on highly trained staff with diverse skillsets and backgrounds, who are dedicated and positively contribute to the Village through the work of economic and community development and to the support of the development of local young professionals and youth eager to contribute to these functions in Homewood and beyond;

WHEREAS, in 2025, the Village of Homewood dedicated a new internship position within the Village Manager's Office to mentor and train with the Village's economic and community development staff, for a youth or student interested in a future career in urban planning, economic development, or public administration;

WHEREAS, Mr. Joshua Carillos of Chicago Heights, Illinois, joined the Village of Homewood's staff as Economic and Community Development Intern in June 2025 to support ongoing economic and community development projects currently underway in the Village; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Joshua Carillos provided invaluable contributions to the economic and community development initiatives of the Village, completing critical data analysis, collecting best practices for various community development projects, and providing essential insight and support for ongoing Village initiatives and programs with mentorship from Village staff;

THEREFORE, I, Richard A. Hofeld, President of the Village of Homewood, Illinois do hereby present this proclamation to Mr. Joshua Carillos for his dedicated service to the Village, and I urge all of our citizens to join the Village Board of Trustees and Village Staff in recognizing and honoring the contributions of Joshua's work for the well-being and quality-of-life of Village residents, as well as his demonstration of exemplary civic engagement, volunteerism, and dedication to public service during his tenure with the Village.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and caused the seal of the Village of Homewood to be affixed hereto this 26th day of August, 2025.

Village President