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A Resolution Honoring Paul Blake Werner on his retirement from the Village of Homewood

- **WHEREAS**, **Paul Blake Werner** began his career in law enforcement as a police officer at the Lynwood Police Department on January 31, 1995. He then joined the Homewood Police Department on September 9, 2002; and
- **WHEREAS**, **Paul Blake Werner** was assigned to the Criminal Investigations Unit as a Tactical Officer from June 2010 until February 2012; and
- **WHEREAS**, **Paul Blake Werner** was appointed as a Field Training Officer in 2016 and has helped mentor and guide new recruits ensuring they become distinguished and successful members of the Homewood Police Department; and
- WHEREAS, Paul Blake Werner was appointed to the position of Acting Watch Commander in 2021 and successfully completed the two-week Supervision of Police Personnel course through Northwestern University's Center for Public Safety. As the next eligible candidate on the Police Sergeant Eligibility list, Officer Werner was then appointed to the position of Acting Sergeant on August 1, 2021; and
- WHEREAS, Paul Blake Werner has served as the President of the Homewood Police Association since 2009. During this time he took responsibility for the maintenance and supply of the vending machine, obtaining the items on his own time, thus ensuring snacks and beverages were available for all. In this role his self-proclaimed title of "The Idea Man" has been a continuous source of enjoyment for most and dismay for some; and
- **WHEREAS**, **Paul Blake Werner** has received numerous Letters of Appreciation and Commendations from the Homewood Police Department, private citizens, local businesses, and other police agencies in the course of his career; and
- **WHEREAS, Paul Blake Werner** has been a leader who is respected and held in high esteem by his friends, professional peers, and members of the community for conducting himself and representing the Village of Homewood with the utmost concern for fairness, service, and professionalism; and
- **WHEREAS, Paul Blake Werner** retired on September 9, 2022, after twenty years of dedicated service to the Village of Homewood. His service to the Police Department and the citizens of Homewood is hereby recognized.

NOW, *THEREFORE*, *BE IT RESOLVED* by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois that

Paul Blake Werner

be honored and commended for twenty years of outstanding, dedicated service to the citizens of Homewood. On behalf of the citizens of Homewood, the President and Board of Trustees hereby extend best wishes to Sergeant Werner as he enters his retirement.

	Village President
ATTEST:	

This Resolution passed this 27th day of September, 2022.

Village Clerk

Ayes: ____ Absent: ___ Abstentions: ____