



CITY OF LATHRUP VILLAGE PROCLAMATION

Don't Engage N Road Rage 5K Walk & Run 2026-2027

WHEREAS, Don't Engage N Road Rage, Inc. is a Michigan-based nonprofit organization and limited liability company committed to advancing road-rage education, awareness, resources, and safety throughout Michigan and across the United States; and

WHEREAS, Don't Engage N Road Rage was founded in 2017 by Rick V. Sykes, Sr., following extensive research and personal experiences that inspired him to help transform driving culture and reduce aggressive driving and road-rage incidents; and

WHEREAS, through initiatives such as Mayors Against Road Rage, community partnerships, educational programs, public-awareness campaigns and safety events, Don't Engage N Road Rage continues to encourage motorists to practice patience, personal responsibility, emotional intelligence and self-control behind the wheel; and

WHEREAS, Don't Engage N Road Rage Month provides an important opportunity to educate residents, motorists, young drivers and future drivers about the dangers of aggressive driving, distracted driving, road rage and road-rage-related gun violence; and

WHEREAS, Don't Engage N Road Rage is committed to four primary goals: strategically increasing road-rage awareness through community partnerships; educating young drivers and future drivers to be respectful, responsible, and reasonable; reducing aggressive driving and road rage through education and awareness; and addressing the alarming increase in road-rage-related gun violence; and

WHEREAS, reports indicating a significant increase in road-rage incidents during the past decade demonstrate the urgent need for motorists to remain calm, attentive, and focused while traveling on our roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Don't Engage 5K Walk and Run unites residents, families, community leaders, public-safety representatives, businesses, and partnering organizations around the shared goal of promoting safer roads, healthier communities, and peaceful conflict resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lathrup Village proudly supports programs and community events that promote public safety, health, wellness, education, collaboration and the well-being of all residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the City of Lathrup Village as an official site location and host community for the Don't Engage 5K Walk and Run for 2026 and 2027 will strengthen public awareness and demonstrate our continuing commitment to preventing aggressive driving and road rage;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce Kantor, Mayor of the City of Lathrup Village, Michigan, do hereby recognize and support Don't Engage N Road Rage, Inc. and proclaim the City of Lathrup Village an OFFICIAL SITE LOCATION AND HOST COMMUNITY FOR THE DON'T ENGAGE 5K WALK AND RUN 2026-2027.

I encourage all residents, businesses, community organizations, and motorists to support this important initiative and to remain calm, courteous, attentive, and responsible while traveling on our roadways.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Lathrup Village to be affixed this 21st day of September 2026.

Bruce Kantor
Mayor