



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, millions of American volunteers give their time to help others, contributing over 30 million volunteer hours per year worth over \$635 million; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week was established in 1974, and has grown exponentially each year, with thousands of volunteer projects and special events scheduled throughout the week; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Forest Park seeks to achieve strong community spirit through active civic participation; and

WHEREAS, there are many dedicated volunteers who serve the City on the Planning Commission, Tree Board, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Civil Service Commission, and Salary Commission, helping make Lake Forest Park a more desirable place to live; and

WHEREAS, volunteers play an important role in determining the direction of the City now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, during this week, we call on all community members and organizations to help us thank, celebrate and recognize the contributions of all volunteers.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park proclaim April 19 to 25, 2026 as

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

in Lake Forest Park as a time to **CELEBRATE OUR VOLUNTEERS** and recognize the crucial role played by volunteers in our community.

Signed this 23rd day of April 2026

Thomas French, Mayor