

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY/VILLAGE/TOWN OF _____
ADOPTING CIVILITY PLEDGE**

WHEREAS, the **City/Village/Town** of _____ (**City/Village/Town**) recognizes that the public exchange of diverse ideas, viewpoints and robust debate are essential to democratic self-governance; and,

WHEREAS, the **Mayor and City Council/President and Board of Trustees of the Village/President and Board of Trustees of the Town**, as elected officials of the **City/Village/Town**, recognize the importance of engaging in free and spirited debate, while maintaining the highest standards of civility, honesty and mutual respect; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal League (IML) has adopted a Civility Pledge which encourages the core tenets of civility; and,

WHEREAS, the Civility Pledge states, “In the interest of civility, I pledge to promote civility by listening, being respectful of others, acknowledging that we are all striving to support and improve our community and understanding that we each may have different ideas for achieving that objective;” and,

WHEREAS, in order to publicly declare a commitment to civil discourse and to express concern for the common good and wellbeing of all residents of the **City/Village/Town**, the **Mayor and City Council/President and Board of Trustees of the Village/President and Board of Trustees of the Town** have determined it to be in the best interests of the **City/Village/Town** to adopt this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the **Mayor and City Council/President and Board of Trustees of the Village/President and Board of Trustees of the Town** of _____ (**City/Village/Town**) as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated as findings of fact as if said recitals were fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The Civility Pledge as set forth in this Resolution is hereby adopted.

Section 3. The elected and appointed officials of _____ (**City/Village/Town**) are asked to sign the Civility Pledge and adhere to it during all public meetings and in all official actions.

PASSED THIS ____ day of _____, _____.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTENTIONS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED THIS ____ day of _____, _____.

Mayor/Village President/Town President

ATTEST:

Clerk