



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING JOAN FRAZIER FOR HER WORK AS PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD

WHEREAS, Joan Frazier is retiring as President of the Village of Northfield after more than a decade of elected service and a lifetime of commitment to the community and all its residents;

WHEREAS, Joan has demonstrated her dedication to the residents of the Village of Northfield, serving the community for 14 years as both a Trustee and as Board President; and

WHEREAS, Joan was elected as the President of the Village of Northfield in 2017; and

WHEREAS, as the Chief Presiding Officer of the Village Board, Joan oversaw all Boards and Commissions and served as the Liquor Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, Joan's hallmark has been her commitment to community service, leading the 2040 Vision Plan, spearheading the Skokie Valley Trail Committee, co-chairing the Transportation and Legislative Committees with the Northwest Municipal Conference, and volunteering at the Chicago Botanic Garden; and

WHEREAS, Joan championed the development and approval of a long-range financial plan for the Village of Northfield; and

WHEREAS, Joan enhanced the charm and beauty of Northfield by improving bus shelters, developing upon community entryway signs, enhancing parkway plantings, and approving a new holiday lighting program; and

WHEREAS, under Joan's leadership, Northfield adopted the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Greenest Region Compact (GRC2) Initiative, a collaboration of over 135 communities working towards sustainability for local municipalities, including climate, economic development, energy, land, leadership, mobility, municipal operations, sustainable communities, water, and waste & recycling; and

WHEREAS, Joan oversaw the adoption and execution of a long term water infrastructure plan for Northfield; and

WHEREAS, Joan undertook the implementation of a regional 911 center; and

WHEREAS, as part of her commitment to transportation and accessibility, Joan oversaw the completion of Phase I studies for both the Skokie Valley Trail and Happ Road; and

WHEREAS, Joan adopted the 2040 Vision Plan to guide the Village's future and ensure that every new project, both public and private, improved the aesthetics and character of Northfield; and

WHEREAS, Joan led Northfield through the COVID-19 pandemic and the execution of 11 State of Emergency Declarations, ensuring the community made it safely through an undoubtedly difficult time; and

WHEREAS, Joan has served the residents of Northfield by creating and upholding the ordinances of the Village, interpreting and applying them equally and with fairness toward all residents and property owners; and

WHEREAS, Joan's untiring leadership, unselfish approach to challenges, and insight into resolving issues will be truly missed by the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby thank Joan Frazier, on the occasion of her retirement, for her steadfast dedication to the Northfield community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of the Resolution be tendered to Joan as a means of communicating our thanks and well wishes.