PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH

WHEREAS, in 1988, the United States Congress, at the request of the National Foster Parent Association, introduced a resolution to proclaim May as National Foster Care Month in recognition of the critical contributions made by foster parents across the nation; and

WHEREAS, every year National Foster Care Month provides an opportunity to celebrate foster youth and the people who provide them with love and support; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois recognizes the importance of providing the most vulnerable children with the opportunities and resources they need to thrive, which can best be met by belonging in a family; and

WHEREAS, all people have a responsibility to create an environment where every child can grow up safely and to support the best care possible for children when they cannot remain in their homes; and

WHEREAS, Barrington is home to Let It Be Us, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and licensed Illinois child welfare agency since its inception in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Let It Be Us is changing the landscape of foster care and adoption in Illinois through innovative programming with support from the Barrington area community; and

WHEREAS, during the month of May, Barrington recognizes all those involved with foster care, including Let It Be Us, for their loyal and steadfast devotion to the safety, stability, and well-being of children and their families involved in the foster care system.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karen Darch, President of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Barrington, Cook and Lake Counties, Illinois, do hereby recognize MAY as NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH, and honor and celebrate the outstanding service and commitment that foster and adoptive families provide, and extend our great appreciation for the services that Let It Be Us provides to the community and beyond.

Dated this 24th day of April, 2023

Karen Darch
Village President