

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF SHOREWOOD HILLS  
ADOPTING CIVILITY PLEDGE**

WHEREAS, the Village of Shorewood Hills recognizes that the public exchange of diverse ideas, viewpoints and robust debate are essential to democratic self-governance; and,

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees as elected officials of the Village, recognize the importance of maintaining the highest standards of civility, honesty and mutual respect; and,

WHEREAS, to support these values, the Village has drafted a Civility Pledge which states,  
“As an elected or appointed official of the Village of Shorewood Hills, I pledge to practice and promote civility within our governing body, including constructive engagement, respect for others and their perspectives, and openness to compromise to ensure the success of our Village, and to encourage community members to do the same.

I pledge that my communication – both spoken and written – will model civil behavior, being open, honest, transparent and courteous, in order to cultivate trust and strong working relationships. I will seek common ground through active listening, thoughtful participation, and by taking a cooperative approach to problem solving.

I pledge to promote mutual respect as a pathway to achieve Village goals, recognizing that patience and open-mindedness will help to foster greater efficiencies while maintaining our commitment to excellent services and opportunities for Village residents.” 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 Village, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village have determined it to be in the best interests of the Village to adopt this Resolution.

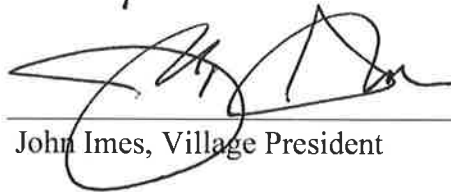
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Shorewood Hills as follows:

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 the Village of Shorewood Hills are asked to sign the Civility Pledge and adhere to it during all public meetings and in all official actions.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023

  
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John Imes, Village President

ATTEST:

  
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Julie Fitzgerald, Village Clerk