

# TINLEY PARK



## PROCLAMATION

Recognizing the partnership between  
the Village and Porter Place to formally designate  
Tinley Park a Dementia Friendly Community

**WHEREAS**, worldwide, more than 50 million people are living with Alzheimer's and other dementias, and;

**WHEREAS**, more than 6 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's or other dementias, with over 230,000 Americans diagnosed in Illinois alone, and;

**WHEREAS**, the disease kills more people on average than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined, and;

**WHEREAS**, in 2021 alone dementia will cost the nation \$355 billion and by 2050, these costs are expected to surpass \$1.1 trillion annually, and;

**WHEREAS**, over 381,000 family caregivers in Illinois bear the burden of the disease, accounting for roughly 480 million hours of unpaid care which is valued at \$8.5 billion, and;

**WHEREAS**, these numbers show that a public health approach is necessary to lessen the burden and enhance the quality of life for those living with dementia and their families, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Cognitive Resources Network (ICRN) strives to leverage strengths of the Alzheimer's Association chapters serving Illinois, Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Centers, and organizations in the Aging, Disability and Public Health Networks to optimize the cognitive and functional well-being of Illinois residents and their families, and;

**WHEREAS**, the ICRN has established a means for local municipalities to earn a Dementia Friendly Community designation to support their mission, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Tinley Park in partnership with Porter Place – Anthem Memory Care are working towards establishing Tinley Park as a Dementia Friendly Community so those living with dementia and their caregivers can experience a high quality of life in our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Tinley Park, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, fully support the partnership with Porter Place and the efforts to make Tinley Park a Dementia Friendly Community and furthermore, encourage all residents and businesses to join in supporting such important efforts.

**APPROVED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021

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