PROCLAMATION

COLLABORATING FOR KIDS DAY IN HONOR OF JOHN BORRERO AUGUST 31, 2022

WHEREAS, we are here today to express our appreciation to John Borrero, and to honor him for his continuing commitment to advancing equitable early care and education to all children; and

WHEREAS, John Borrero served as Executive Director of the Collaboration for Early Childhood from 2018 until 2022; and

WHEREAS, John Borrero brings the voices of young children to the table at each and every event he attends; and

WHEREAS, John Borrero makes it his mission to instill the hard work of capacity-building and systems work with the stories, joy, and magic of early childhood; and

WHEREAS, John Borrero increased the profile and recognition of the Collaboration for Early Childhood in our community of Oak Park; and

WHEREAS, John Borrero will continue working in service of children, and bringing them to the forefront of every community conversation as he begins the next chapter of his career, pursing doctoral research at the University of Illinois at Chicago to examine disparities in preschool experiences for children of color; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the Village of Oak Park, we express our sincere appreciation to John Borrero for his creativity, innovation, and service to the children, families, educators, and health professionals over the past 4 years. We congratulate John Borrero on an impactful tenure with the Village of Oak Park, expressing our sincere gratitude to him for his unwavering dedication and service, and wish him much fulfillment as he begins this exciting new chapter in his career.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vicki Scaman, President of the Village of Oak Park and the Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, August 31, 2022 as *COLLABORATING FOR KIDS DAY* in the Village of Oak Park in honor of John Borrero, and urge all citizens to join me in continuing John Borrero's work with the Collaboration for Early Childhood to build systems that support young children and the people who care for and teach them.

DATED this 31st day of August 2022.

Vicki Scaman, Village President

ATTEST

Christina M. Waters, Village Clerk