

PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK

April 6–10, 2026

WHEREAS, the week of April 6–10, 2026, has been designated as National Community Development Week by the National Community Development Association to celebrate the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG Program has operated since 1974 to provide local governments with the resources required to primarily meet the needs of low- and moderate-income persons, and allocates annual funding and flexibility to local communities to provide decent, safe and affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities to low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, over the past five years, our community has received a total of \$7,902,506 in CDBG funds; and

WHEREAS, numerous local community public service activities have been funded by the CDBG program including, but not limited to, education programs, mental health and substance use counseling and treatment, food insecurity, job training, homeless shelters, domestic violence, and parenting education, as well as funding many public improvements including sidewalks, streets, and lead water lines for low/moderate income areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vicki Scaman, President of the Village of Oak Park and Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim the week of April 6–10, 2026 as **NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK** in the Village of Oak Park and encourage all citizens of Oak Park to support community development activities this week and throughout the year in support of our vibrant community in providing the foundation for a high quality of life for our residents.

DATED, this 24th day of March 2026.

Vicki Scaman, Village President

ATTEST:

Christina M. Waters, Village Clerk