

PROCLAMATION

HONORING THE LIFE, LEGACY, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF MCLouis “MAC” ROBINET

WHEREAS, the Village of Oak Park proudly recognizes the lives of those whose dedication, vision, and quiet perseverance leave an indelible mark on our community; and

WHEREAS, McLouis “Mac” Robinet, a longtime resident of Oak Park, Illinois, has devoted his life to the care for our planet, civic engagement, and intergenerational wisdom, and in doing so, strengthened the very foundation of our village's values; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinet—through the dignity of his presence, his love of learning, commitment to mentorship, and a profound dedication to a sustainable community and world — has modeled a way of life rooted in equity, resilience, and care for the earth and one another; and

WHEREAS, as a pioneering voice in local conversations about environmental sustainability long before it became a national priority, Mr. Robinet brought wisdom, expertise, and humility to the challenges of our time, advocating for sustainable living and practices that protect future generations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinet was one of the first residents in Oak Park to use renewable energy in their home and his love and care for our planet motivated him to mentor many. He is a founding member of Oak Park Climate Action Network (OPCAN) and Interfaith Green Network; and

WHEREAS, together with his beloved wife, the late Harriet Robinet—an accomplished author and advocate in her own right—Mr. Robinet has helped foster a home and community of inclusion, scholarship, and integrity, inspiring neighbors, young people, and civic leaders alike; and

WHEREAS, the Robinets made Oak Park their home for decades, and Mr. Robinet’s presence became synonymous with thoughtful dialogue, ethical action, and a deep and abiding belief in the power of community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinet's legacy extends beyond personal advocacy—his life stands as a

testament to the enduring impact of quiet leadership, lifelong learning, and the moral imperative to act with foresight and compassion in service of the common good;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Vicki Scaman, President of the Village of Oak Park, on behalf of the Village Board of Trustees and the community at large, do hereby honor and celebrate the extraordinary life, legacy, and contributions of Mr. Robinet, and extend our deepest gratitude for the wisdom he has shared and continues to share to this day, and the path he has helped illuminate;

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the Village of Oak Park recognizes Mr. Robinet as a foundational steward of sustainability, a moral guidepost for civic responsibility, and a beloved member of our shared history, whose unrelenting commitment will echo for generations.

DATED this 22nd day of July, 2025.

Vicki Scaman
Village President

ATTEST

Christina M. Waters
Village Clerk