

## **ORDINANCE**

### **AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ALL-WAY STOP AT THE INTERSECTION OF BERKSHIRE STREET AND GROVE AVENUE**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Oak Park ("Village") is a home rule unit of government as provided by the provisions of Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

**WHEREAS**, as a home rule unit of government, the Village is expressly empowered to perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, including, but not limited to, the power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, morals and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Illinois Municipal Code, Section 11-302 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, 625 ILCS 5/11-302, and Section 15-1-11 ("Stops Signs") of the Oak Park Village Code, the Village is authorized to place and maintain stop signs upon highways under its jurisdiction in order to regulate, warn and guide traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the results from traffic studies, there is a speeding issue on Grove Avenue at Berkshire Street, and the Village tested a traffic calming device on Grove Avenue at Berkshire Street which did not correct the speeding issue; and

**WHEREAS**, the intersection of Berkshire Street and Grove Avenue is in close proximity to Mann Elementary School and Lindberg Park which helps to generate higher than normal volume of pedestrian traffic at the intersection of Berkshire Street and Grove Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village has determined that it is necessary and reasonable and in the best interests of the citizens of the Village to authorize an all-way stop at the intersection of Berkshire Street and Grove Avenue for the reasons stated above.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois, in the exercise of their home rule powers, as follows:

**Section 1. Recitals Incorporated.** The above recitals are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth.

**Section 2. Authorization to Post and Maintain Stop Signs.** The Village is hereby authorized to post and maintain stop signs for vehicular traffic traveling northbound or southbound on Grove Avenue at its intersection with Berkshire Street. The Director of the Department of Public Works, or his designee, is directed to install said stop signs and post and maintain any and all signs necessary to direct and inform motorists and pedestrians of the stop sign. The signs shall conform to the standards set forth in the State of Illinois Manual and Specifications and shall be located as near as practicable to the nearest line of the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection.

**Section 3. Village Ordinance Establishing Traffic Control Signals Amended.** The Village's "Ordinance Establishing Traffic Control Signals," adopted pursuant to Chapter 15 ("Motor Vehicles and Traffic"), Article 1 ("In General"), Section 15-1-11 ("Stop Signs") of the Oak Park Village Code is hereby amended to include the following:

No person shall drive a motor vehicle on Berkshire Street or on Grove Avenue into the intersection of Berkshire Street and Grove Avenue without first bringing said vehicle to a full stop.

**Section 4. Severability and Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinances.** If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance. All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its approval, passage and publication as provided by law.

**ADOPTED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

Voting	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
President Abu-Taleb				
Trustee Andrews				
Trustee Boutet				
Trustee Button				
Trustee Moroney				
Trustee Taglia				
Trustee Tucker				

**APPROVED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

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Anan Abu-Taleb, Village President

**ATTEST**

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Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk

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