

RESOLUTION

In Honor of Virginia Cassin Oak Park Village Clerk 1973-1993

WHEREAS, Virginia Cassin, born in 1924, moved to the Village of Oak Park from Beloit, Wisconsin when she was three years old and graduated from Oak Park River Forest High School in 1942; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Cassin, or Ginny, as she is known to many, married her high school sweetheart Bill and together they raised eight children; and

WHEREAS, during her 20-year tenure as the elected Village Clerk, she was instrumental in implementing many important local ordinances, including the Village's first liquor ordinance on March 5, 1973 and an ordinance granting a franchise to Cablevision of Chicago on April 2, 1979; and

WHEREAS, she was a devoted fair housing activist during the 1960's and played a key role in implementing Oak Park's landmark local Fair Housing Ordinance passed on May 6, 1968; and

WHEREAS, after retiring, Virginia and her late husband became actively involved in The Earnest Hemingway Foundation of Oak Park, helping to establish the Hemingway Museum and restore the Birthplace Home, as well as tracking down and acquiring artifacts original to the home from across the country; and

WHEREAS, she has been active in more than a dozen local organizations, including the Rotary Club of Oak Park-River Forest, providing a strong role model for several generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park, that the thanks of our grateful community be extended to Virginia Cassin for her role as Village Clerk and that she be presented with a copy of this Resolution which will herewith be entered into the official records of the Village of Oak Park.

DATED this 9th day of July, 2018.

Anan Abu-Taleb
Village President

ATTEST:

Vicki Scaman
Village Clerk