

PROCLAMATION  
K9 ZEKE DAY IN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK  
JANUARY 13, 2020

**WHEREAS**, Oak Park Police K9 Zeke is retiring from services and will become part of the Leidl family; and

**WHEREAS**, Zeke was born in Poland on December 1, 2011, where he was selected and bred as a working K9 dog coming to the United States in 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, In the U.S. Zeke competed further police training in order to search for search for narcotics and he was trained to conduct building searches, area searches, protect his handler and as a result Zeke received certification in these categories from various organizations including the International Police Work Dog Association, the North American Police Work Dog Association and the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Zeke and Officer Leidl completed monthly maintenance training with various Cook County area K9 Teams and throughout his career Zeke under the care and guidance of Officer Leidl multiple drug and money seizures assisting with investigations resulting in over \$1.7 million in money sniffs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Anan Abu-Taleb, President of the Village of Oak Park and the Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim January 13, 2020 as K9 Zeke Day in recognition of his dedication and hard work in the Village of Oak Park as a proud member of the Oak Park Police Department and in celebration of his celebration and call upon all citizen to reflect upon his contributions.

**DATED** this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

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Anan Abu-Taleb  
Village President

ATTEST:

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Vicki Scaman  
Village Clerk