

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORIAM

MARJORIE "MARGE" GOCKEL

WHEREAS, the Oak Park community joins the family of Marjorie "Marge" Gockel in mourning her death on July 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Oak Park will forever remember Marge for her significant contributions to Oak Park and the deep kindness with which she greeted every person she met, Marge was known for her love of reading, exceptional work ethics, humble nature and deep love for community; and

WHEREAS, not long after moving to Oak Park in 1969 with her husband Galen Gockel, Marge noticed Oak Park lacked a Farmers Market, she and Carla Lind organized and advocated for over a year until the then Village Board came to adopt the forming of a Farmers Market Commission, the Oak Park Farmers Market remains today one of the largest and most prosperous Farmers Markets in the area; and

WHEREAS, Marge had a great appreciation for Frank Lloyd Wright architecture, she served on the Frank Lloyd Wright Preservation Trust Board of Directors for a time and volunteered at the Frank Lloyd Wright Home and Studio, Marge received the Frank Lloyd Wright Preservation Trust Volunteer of the Year Award in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Marge's love for community extended to civic service as a dedicated and valued member of the local chapter of the League of Women Voters, she had the vital role of recruiting, training, and supervising members to be observers of local government, Marge was awarded the Hazel Hansen Award from the Oak Park River Forest League of Women Voters in 2010; and

WHEREAS, above all else Marge will be remembered most for her caring nature and gracious presence that was unique to her,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park that the sympathy of the officials and citizens of the Village of Oak Park be expressed to Marjorie "Marge" Gockel's family, and that this Resolution in Memoriam be respectfully presented to them and that a copy be preserved in the official records of the Village of Oak Park.

APPROVED this 3rd day of August, 2020.

Anan Abu-Taleb, Village President

ATTEST

Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk