## Arlington Heights Garden Club 18 S Yale Ave Arlington Heights, IL 60005 May 18, 2022

The Arlington Heights Garden Club is holding their annual Garden Walk fundraiser, with a related Unique Boutique of approximately 25 garden related vendors and a raffle of garden item prize baskets. The Unique Boutique and raffle are open to the public while the gardens on the Garden Walk are accessible to those who purchase Garden Walk tickets. The raffle prizes are mostly donated by community businesses with the remainder purchased with garden club funds. Attendees have the option to purchase \$5 raffle tickets for a chance to win one of the prize baskets.

The proceeds from the Garden Walk, Unique Boutique vendor fees and raffle proceeds are used for scholarships, donations back to the community and for garden club operating expenses. In the past four years, the club has awarded \$20,500 in scholarships and donated \$24,700 back to the community. Recent examples include \$1,000 to the village to help fund a project to be determined and \$1,000 to the Park District to install a pollinator garden and trees at Recreation Park.

We therefore request that the Raffle License fee and fidelity bond requirement be waived as this would reduce the funds available for the above activities.

Sincerely,

Peter C Landwehr

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Arlington Heights Garden Club Treasurer