

Village of Arlington Heights Proclamation Recognizing the 75th Anniversary of Boy Scout Troop 32

WHEREAS, June 20, 2017 marks the 75th anniversary of Boy Scout Troop 32, which began in 1942 when the East Park School Parent Teachers Association filed an application for a new Boy Scout Troop and the Northwest Suburban Council granted a charter to the PTA on June 20, 1942; and

WHEREAS, initially the troop met in the Field House of East Park and in 1946 the meeting place was changed to the First Presbyterian Church. In 1955 the Church's Men's Club agreed to sponsor the troop and to this day, the Men's Club is a loyal supporter of Troop 32 and the traditional values of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, Troop 32 has brought Scouting's ideals of character development, promotion of citizenship and physical fitness, to over 1000 registered youth. Average membership over 75 years is 41 Scouts and 21 adults per year and today the troop has 40 registered Scouts and 36 registered adults; and

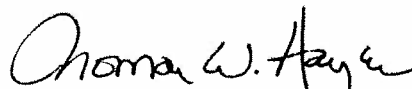
WHEREAS, the troop has received National BSA honors annually as a "Quality Unit" for decades since the award's inception and since the "Journey to Excellence" standards were introduced in 2012, Troop 32 has achieved the "Gold" level annually; and

WHEREAS, 86.3% of its adult leaders are "Trained," the highest percentage in the North Woods District and the troop has been voted "Top Troop" in the North Woods District several times; and

WHEREAS, for the past 15 years, Troop 32 Scouts and leaders have met at Memory Gardens to honor our deceased veterans by implanting hundreds of American flags at their gravesites; and

WHEREAS, the troop's Honor Roll lists 109 Eagle Scouts and each Eagle Scout project, benefitting our local community, averages over 200 Eagle Scout and volunteer hours.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas W. Hayes, Mayor of Arlington Heights, along with the Arlington Heights Village Board of Trustees, do hereby congratulate Boy Scout Troop 32 for their many great accomplishments and contributions to the young people in this community. I urge all citizens to join me in recognizing Troop 32 for its positive influence in our community over the past 75 years.



Thomas W. Hayes, Mayor

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