

**Village of Arlington Heights Proclamation**

**National Adult Education & Family Literacy Week**

**September 24 – September 30, 2017**

**WHEREAS**, more that 36 million Americans cannot read or write at the most basic level while 60 million lack basic math skills, as well as the credentials and skills necessary to succeed in post-secondary education; and

**WHEREAS**, every year, one in three young adults drops out of high school; and

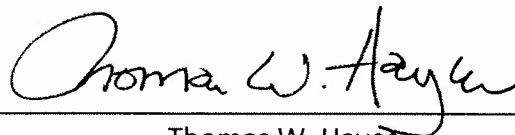
**WHEREAS**, American Action Forum estimates that by 2020, America will be short an estimated 7.5 million private sector workers across all skill levels; and

**WHEREAS**, Adult Education programs contribute to solving these challenges by helping Americans move along the continuum in their educational journey to achieve basic skills and get prepared for career and college; and

**WHEREAS**, Adult Education programs in high schools and adult schools, community colleges and community centers offer low cost, high value programs that upgrade the skill set of our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Arlington Heights celebrates Adult Education and Family Literacy Week as a proud participant in the national Educate & Elevate Campaign which helps our citizens learn about all of their Adult Education options to attain their professional and personal goals.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Thomas W. Hayes, Mayor of Arlington Heights, along with the Arlington Heights Village Board of Trustees, proclaim September 24 – 30, 2017 as **ADULT LITERACY WEEK** in Arlington Heights, IL.



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