

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R-5

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF OBLONG ADOPTING CIVILITY PLEDGE

WHEREAS, the **Village of Oblong** recognizes that the public exchange of diverse ideas, viewpoints and robust debate are essential to democratic self-governance; and,

WHEREAS, the **Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oblong**, as elected officials of the **Village**, recognize the importance of engaging in free and spirited debate, while maintaining the highest standards of civility, honesty and mutual respect; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal League (IML) has adopted a Civility Pledge which encourages the core tenets of civility; and,

WHEREAS, the Civility Pledge states, “In the interest of civility, I pledge to promote civility by listening, being respectful of others, acknowledging that we are all striving to support and improve our community and understanding that we each may have different ideas for achieving that objective;” and,

WHEREAS, in order to publicly declare a commitment to civil discourse and to express concern for the common good and wellbeing of all residents of the **Village of Oblong**, the **Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oblong** as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated as findings of fact as if said recitals were fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The Civility Pledge as set forth in the Resolution is hereby adopted.

Section 3. The elected and appointed officials of the **Village of Oblong** are asked to sign the Civility Pledge and adhere to it during all public meetings and in all official actions.

PASSED THIS 3RD day of May, 2023.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTAINS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED THIS 3RD day of May, 2023.

Teresa K. Fielder, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ladora Boyd, Clerk