# THE VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

### RESOLUTION NUMBER 24-019

## A RESOLUTION AUTHOIRZING THE VILLAGE'S OFFICIAL SOCIAL MEDIA SITES AND THEIR GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSE

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WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen, Will County, Illinois (the "Village") is a home rule municipality pursuant to Section 6(a), Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs (the "Home Rule Powers"); and

WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen through its site Administrators (The Mayor and Village Manager), and Communications Coordinator and/or their designee, utilize social media sites to convey to Village of Homer Glen residents, matters of governmental interest that pertain to the Village of Homer Glen, and other governmental entities that service the Village; and

WHEREAS, the intent and purpose of these social media sites, is **not** to provide any type of forum for residents or the public to express ideas or initiate any form of communication to the Village of Homer Glen; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen has a Media Communication Policy, (Mayor and Village Board - Standard Operating Procedure-013), that was last revised and updated on May 9, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and important for the orderly administration of Village government, that residents of the Village of Homer Glen be apprised of the Village's official social media sites, so that the Village's residents can reasonably rely on the information contained therein, to avoid any public confusion; and

WHEREAS, in addition to regularly scheduled Village Board meetings, Village residents and the public at large are able to communicate with the Village through written correspondence, the Village's published telephone, and at Village Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Village finds that it is necessary to revise Standard Operating Procedure-013 ("SOP-013"); and

WHEREAS, the orderly administration of Village government will not in any way be adversely impacted if the Village's official social media site platforms, and Media Communications Policy does not permit, authorize or otherwise allow user/public postings of content and comments on the Village's official social media sites;

WHEREAS, the Village President and Village Board of Trustees find that authorizing official social media sites for the Village, modifying the Village's official social media sites to disable the capability for users to post content and comments, and amending SOP-13 consistent with these recitals and this resolution, is in the Village's best interests for the protection of public health, safety and welfare;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS HOME RULE POWERS, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

<u>Section 2.</u> The President and the Board of Trustees hereby authorize the following social media sites as Official Social Media Sites for the Village of Homer Glen:

Facebook & Instagram - Village of Homer Glen Municipal Government

Facebook - Village of Homer Glen - Parks & Events

Facebook - Homer Community Fest

Facebook - Homer Glen Emergency Management Agency

Facebook - Village of Homer Glen - Public Works

Section 3. The President and the Board of Trustees hereby find that the intent and purpose of the Official Social Media Sites for the Village of Homer Glen, is **not** to provide any type of forum for Village residents or the public at large, to express ideas or initiate any form of communication to the Village of Homer Glen. Rather, the intent and purpose of the Official Social Media Sites for the Village of Homer Glen is solely to provide a mechanism for the Village to communicate to its residents, matters of governmental interest that relate to the Village of Homer Glen and other governmental entities that service the Village.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Village President and Board of Trustees hereby authorize revisions to SOP-13 consistent with this resolution, and direct the site Administrators or their designee(s), to disable the capability for users to post content and comments on all Official Social Media Sites for the Village, 21 days after the adoption of this resolution.

<u>Section 5.</u> The Village President and Board of Trustees further find that the Village's orderly administration government will not in any way be adversely affected by the changes and revisions to SOP-13, and further authorize the Village Manager and Attorney to revise SOP-013 consistent with this resolution.

<u>Section 6.</u> All policies, ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

Adopted this 11th day of December 2024 pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Consolino	X			
Fialko	X			
Mason	X			
McNaughton	X			
Reynders	X			
Steilen	X			
Neitzke-Troike (Village President)				
TOTAL	6			

APPROVED by the Village President on December 11, 2024

Christina Neitzke-Troike Village President

ATTEST:

Candice Bielski Village Clerk

#### EXHIBIT 1 (SOP-013, revised May 9, 2018)