

Proclamation



WHEREAS, adults who provide alcohol to those below the legal drinking age of 21 are placing those youth at risk for health, safety and legal problems; and

WHEREAS, alcohol use by young people is dangerous, not only because of the risks associated with acute impairment, but also because of the threat to their long-term development and well-being; and

WHEREAS, it is illegal to give or allow your teen's friends to drink alcohol in your home, even with their parents' permission; and

WHEREAS, anyone found guilty of providing alcohol to youth can face up to a \$2,500 fine and up to a year in jail for a misdemeanor offense. Felony offense can result in a prison sentence of a year or more and fines up to \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, a parent/legal guardian who knowingly allows persons under the age of 21 to consume alcohol in private residence can face up to a \$2,500 fine and up to one year in jail. **If serious injury or death occurs, a parent/legal guardian is subject to a Class 4 felony (up to three years in prison and fines up to \$25,000);** and

WHEREAS, adults have the authority and responsibility to our youth to provide them with alternative opportunities by creating alcohol free activities, and

WHEREAS, the Barrington Area Drug Prevention Coalition, through the "Parents Who Host, Lose The Most: Don't be a party to teenage drinking" campaign provides the educational materials to raise community awareness regarding this illegal and unhealthy practice; and

WHEREAS, the Village/Township of _____ encourages residents to refuse to provide alcoholic beverages to underage youth and to take the necessary steps to discourage the illegal and unhealthy practice, including the reporting of underage drinking by calling their local police; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Village/Township of _____ not only discourages the use of alcohol by those below the legal age of consumption but also exhorts all residents of the Village/Township of _____ to refuse to provide alcoholic beverages to those underage youth, and will continue to take the necessary steps to discourage this illegal and unhealthy activity.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _____, President/Supervisor of the Village/Township of _____, State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim the months of April, May and June 2011 to be:

"Parents Who Host, Lose The Most: Don't be a party to teenage drinking" Spring 2011

In witness whereof I have set my hand and caused the seal of _____, Illinois, to be affixed, this _____ day of _____, 2011.



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