

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR FRIENDS OF
SPRING CREEK FOREST PRESERVES**

WHEREAS, the Village of Barrington Hills (the "Village") located in the Counties of Cook, Kane, Lake and McHenry in the State of Illinois, is a home rule municipality; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the Cook County Forest Preserve ("CCFP") containing Spring Creek Forest Preserves ("Spring Creek Forest Preserves") lies within the boundaries of the Village; and

WHEREAS, The Friends of Spring Creek Forest Preserves ("Friends") in an association that works with CCFP to restore and preserve the natural flora, fauna and scenic beauty within the Spring Creek Forest Preserves in their natural condition; and

WHEREAS, the work of Friends to restore, preserve and conserve the woodlands, prairies and wetlands in the Spring Creek Forest Preserves is a benefit to the residents of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village wishes to adopt this Resolution to recognize Friends for their valuable work within the Spring Creek Forest Preserves.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Barrington Hills, located in the Counties of Cook, Kane, Lake and McHenry in the State of Illinois, a home rule municipality as follows:

Section 1: The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated into this Resolution as findings of the President and Board of Trustees.

Section 2: The Village hereby recognizes Friends of Spring Creek Forest Preserves for the valuable work performed by them within the Spring Creek Forest Preserves in restoring, preserving and conserving the natural flora, fauna and scenic beauty found therein.

Section 3: The Village supports the following goals of Friends and encourages residents of the Village to support such goals:

1. To restore the natural grasslands, woodlands and wetlands to healthy and natural ecosystems of the Spring Creek Forest Preserves.
2. To facilitate compatible use of the Spring Creek Forest Preserves and to insure respect for preserve values by all users. These compatible uses include hiking nature discovery and appreciation, riding, botanizing, photography and other artistic pursuits, horseback riding, orienteering, and restoration. They do not include recreation that requires mowed fields, mechanized recreation, off-leash dog parks or any other uses that conflict

with the peaceful enjoyment of the natural ecosystem. Compatible uses should be available, enjoyable and meaningful.

3. To support compatible use of the Spring Creek Forrest Preserves by the schools. The goal is for the nature in the Spring Creek Forrest Preserves to enrich education at all levels.
4. To respect and facilitate the existing equestrian use and to promote harmony among horses and humans and the unspoiled natural landscape.

Section 4: The various provisions of this Resolution are to be considered as severable and if any part or portion of this Resolution shall be held invalid by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.


Section 5: This Resolution shall be in full force an effect from and after its approval and publication according to law.

APPROVED THIS 23rd day of January, 2012

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

ATTEST:


Village Clerk


Village President